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This new phase in Chinese life has played its part in the unfortunate controversy raging during the last few days round the native theatres in the Settlement. According to the prescribed regulations the national mourning should include the cessation of all music for a period of a hundred days, and a proclamation to that effect has been posted throughout the town. The effect of such an injunction would be to compel all theatres to close their doors, and with a view to having this measure adopted the Council was approached on the subject by the Chinese authorities. At the same time, however, runners from the Mixed Court, acting as far as is known under the direct instructions of the Magistrate, appeared at the theatres and ordered the proprietors in the name of the Magistrate to close their doors. Such a step was a very serious abuse of the Magistrate's position and it is clear that the Council could not brook his interference in the affairs of the Settlement. To this grave breach on the part of the Magistrate's subordinates must be attributed the Council's apparent lack of sympathy with the request for the closing of the theatres. Emphatic protests were made by the proprietors who urged that the literal enforcement of the proclamation would virtually ruin them. The Council, as we know, could not reconcile itself to such a harsh enactment and refused to consent to any enforced closure of the theatres for more than three days. While we regret that there should be any false note in the outward expressions of foreign sympathy with the Chinese in their national mourning, it is not difficult to understand the Council's dilemma. If the Magistrate had stayed his all too zealous hand and had allowed the Taotai to approach the Municipal authorities in a proper manner, some perfectly satisfactory arrangement would have been reached. It is true that according to our Western ideas there must always have been reluctance to interfere with the personal liberty of our Chinese fellow-residents to the formidable extent contemplated in the proclamation, but at least a happy means could have been arrived at, without allowing the incident to assume the proportions of an international controversy.

Even as things are, there is good reason to believe that the subject has had no injurious effect on the relations subsisting between the Municipality and the Chinese officials; for with a clear appreciation of all the facts of the case the Taotai, we understand, is satisfied with the closing of the theatres for three days. The demand for the full enforcement of the proclamation would have come with greater strength if there had been any indication that it was backed by public opinion. But none of the numerous guilds moved in the matter, and the fact that on the night of the re-opening, the theatres were as *crowded as ever* and have *remained so implies* that popular prejudice would be against the harsh regulation. When we recall the alacrity with which other details of public mourning have been subscribed to, it would seem that the Chinese sense of the fitness of things is slowly rebelling against old-time customs that have little to commend them to a more enlightened age. Certain it is that in the light of the postponement of the Caledonian Ball this community cannot be charged with showing lack of sympathy with the Chinese in their national bereavement. Some people will be found to enlarge upon the controversy over the closing of the theatres; but as we have shown, the misunderstanding was caused by an unwarranted encroachment upon the rights which make for law and order in the Settlement.—*N. C. D. News.*

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Hongkong, 29th July, 1907. [c

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Hongkong, 6th August, 1907. [733

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NO SUFFERER
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Intimation.

Powell's

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Serviceable Jackets,

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POWELL'S

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Hongkong, 21st November, 1908. [149

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, TO-MORROW, the 3rd December, 1908, at 2.30 P.M., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vœux Road, corner of Ice House Street,

SUNDRY VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, ALSO

One COTTAGE PIANO by The Robinson Piano Co.

(Particulars from Catalogue).

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 2nd December, 1908. [1028

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, on SATURDAY, the 5th December, 1908, at 11 A.M., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vœux Road, corner of Ice House Street,

A LARGE QUANTITY OF WINES AND SPIRITS,

Comprising:—

PORT WINE, DUNDEE WHISKY, ROYAL CROWN SCOTCH WHISKY, AMERICAN RYE WHISKY, PERINET FILS CHAMPAGNE, MARIE BRIZARD and ROGER COGNAC, CURMILL & Co.'s COGNAC, MARASCHINO, ANISETTE, APRICOT BRANDY, &c., &c.

(All guaranteed in Sound Condition).

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Hongkong, 30th November, 1908. [1033

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, on SATURDAY and MONDAY, the 5th and 7th December, 1908, commencing each day at 2.30 P.M., at their Sales Rooms No. 8, Des Vœux Road, corner of Ice House Street,

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF JAPANESE CURIOS,

Comprising:—

OLD JAPANESE "DAIMYIO" CLOCKS, IVORY NETSUKES, JINKASA BUDDHAS, OLD LACQUERED INROS, OLD CLOISONNE and SATSUMA VASES, INCENSE BURNERS, CARVED CAMPHORWOOD DRESSING TABLE, DESKS, SQUARE and ROUND TABLES, CHAIRS, FLOWER STANDS, CARVED BRASS and BRONZE VASES, FLOWER POTS, IMARI, ARITA and MAKUDZU VASES, MOTHER-O'-PEARL INLAID SCREENS and PANELS, &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 28th November, 1908. [1029

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, on MONDAY and TUESDAY, the 21st and 22nd December, 1908, at 10 A.M., at H.M. Naval Establishments,

SUNDRY OLD and SURPLUS NAVAL and VICTUALLING STORES,

Comprising:—

OLD and SURPLUS NAVAL STORES:—Iron Blocks, Hoses, Lamps and Lanterns, Tools Old Iron and Metal, Electric Cables, Old Boiler, Steam Hammer, Coal Sacks, Canvas Rags, Old India-Rubber Old Leathers, Carpets, Mattings, Old Boats, Furniture, &c.

OLD and SURPLUS VICTUALLING STORES:—Provisions; Seamen's Clothing, Blankets, Officer's Mess Traps, (A quantity of Electro-plated Articles), Implements, Seamen's Mess Utensils, Oak Staves, &c.

Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS OF SALE:—As Customary.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Government Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1908 [1036

For Sale.

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THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY

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This successful and highly popular remedy, used in the Continental Hospitals by Ricord, Rostan, Jobert, Velpeau and others, combines all the desiderata to be sought in a medicine of the kind, and supersedes everything Hitherto employed.

THERAPION No. 1 in a remarkably short time, often a few days only, removes all discharges, effectually superseding injections, the use of which does irreparable harm by laying the foundation of stricture and other serious diseases. In dysentery, piles, irritation of the lower bowel, cough, bronchitis, asthma, and some of the more trying complaints of this kind, it will be found astonishingly efficacious, affording prompt relief where other well-tried remedies have been powerless.

THERAPION No. 2 for impurity of blood, scurvy, pimples, spots, blotches, pains and swelling of joints, secondary symptoms, gout, rheumatism, and all diseases for which it has been too much a fashion to employ mercury, sarsaparilla, &c., to the destruction of sufferers' teeth and ruin of health. This preparation purifies the whole system through the blood, and thoroughly eliminates all poisonous matter from the body.

THERAPION No. 3 for exhaustion, sleeplessness, and all distressing consequences of dissipation, worry, overwork, early error, excess, &c. It possesses surprising power in restoring strength and vigour to those suffering from enervating influences of long residence in hot, unhealthy climates.

THERAPION is sold by principal Chemists throughout the world. Price in England 4/6 per packet. In ordering, state which of the three numbers required, and observe above Trade Mark, which is a fac-simile of the word THERAPION, as it appears on British Government Stamp (in white letters on a red ground) affixed to every packet by order of His Majesty's Government, and without which it is a forgery.

Sold by all Chemists. 61—B

CHINA, OPIUM, AND THE DOCTORS.

Recent reports from China indicate that for the first time in their history the progressive elements of the nation are united in an attempt to suppress the opium habit throughout the country. If the attempt proves successful, as is sincerely to be hoped and as seems likely, the Chinese themselves will deserve the full credit; for nothing but a national crusade could eradicate so widespread a habit, and foreigners, even with the best intentions, have hitherto effected very little. In many cases their interests were engaged on the side of opium, the manufacture and sale of which has for many years afforded employment to thousands and furnished a large item of national revenue. But even apart from this, there has been much scepticism as to its evil results on the part of many whose interests were not involved and who were, or ought to have been in a position to know. This diversity of opinion has hitherto impeded the attempts of philanthropists to suppress the trade.

The most important of the various official inquiries on opium was the Royal Commission of 1893-4. This Commission issued a Report in five large volumes, containing two thousand double-columned pages, in which were presented the opinions of over seven hundred witnesses in India and nearly two hundred in China, including native and European medical men, missionaries, merchants, landowners, opium-cultivators, &c., and which forms a tangled jungle of the most diverse opinions, that would have the effect of discouraging the average man from the effort of forming a decided opinion for or against. As a matter of fact, this Report has since proved a happy hunting-ground for both parties. Missionary witnesses were unanimous against the practice; but many medical men declared that "in moderation" it is harmless or even beneficial; some said that it is necessary to the poorer classes in order to enable them to bear up against the toilsomeness and cheerlessness of their lives; others declared that, owing to the monotony and poverty of their diet, it has far worse effects on the poor than on the well-fed classes. Sir John Strachey, affirming that the Sikhs are habitual consumers, said that "the best practical answer to those who inveigh against the use of opium would be to bring one of our crack opium-drinking regiments to London and exhibit them in Hyde Park." Other officers of Sikh regiments testified that the habit is confined to middle-aged or old men, it being very rare for a young Sikh to take opium at all; while Lieutenant-Colonel Reid said that other habitual opium-eaters are marked men in the regiment and are not trusted like the others. "I would not enlist an opium-eater if I knew it." Equal discrepancies are found in the statements as to its supposed medicinal virtues, some doctors ranking it almost with quinine as a prophylactic against chills and fevers, and saying that to the inhabitants of marshy, malarious districts in India and China it is a necessity of life, while the majority deny it all virtue of the kind, one saying: "The grain of truth underlying all this talk about the beneficial use of opium in malaria is its power of lessening the discomfort felt in the cold stage of the attack." One army surgeon declared that "under no circumstances does opium produce disease of any kind and instead of shortening it lengthens life," and that "the opium-eater is, as a rule, an active, energetic being, capable of any amount of physical and mental labour and in a competition, whether physical or mental, will defeat his non-opium confrere"; while another, after stating that milk and other nourishing articles of diet veil the ill effects of the habit for a long time, says: "But the process of digestion being slowly impaired, malnutrition is sure to supervene. In confirmed opium-eaters, comparatively trivial attacks of ordinary diseases, such as fever, diarrhœa, bronchitis, colds, and especially dysentery, have generally a grave prognosis; almost every medicine fails to produce its reaction on the system, and, as a rule, opium-eaters die of very trivial complaints."

In the present movement in China, however, there appears to be none of this hesitation or half-heartedness. The obstacles, it is true, are serious enough, but they arise from the force of inertia and from the difficulties of carrying out the decrees of the Government owing to the size of the country, its decentralised condition, and lack of communications. A law was passed quite recently which provided for the licensing of all smokers after October 26th, and the Government has decided that the period of the final enforcement of the prohibition of opium shall be decreased to five years. Last month, also, a more stringent instruction was issued to all the provinces ordering them to report the progress of the decultivation of the poppy within two months. The Fokien Viceroy wired to the officials of various districts, instructing them to stop the cultivation within two months; if any disobey they are to be severely punished and the land under the prohibited crop is to be confiscated. The Empress Dowager intimated to a high official that China must act up to the spirit and letter of her Treaty with Great Britain dealing with the opium question, and that no leniency should be shown to the most highly-placed smokers, otherwise it would be difficult to force the common people to give up opium. In consequence of this a census has been taken of the number of smokers among the Imperial Clansmen with a view to enforcing the Prohibition Law among them. H. E. Na Tung, well-known as one of China's "strong men," has given orders that all opium-smoking utensils seized shall be burned at the North Gate of Peking. Some of the items of intelligence have a humorous turn. Another "Eminence," one Chen Chi Tai, memorialised last month that owing to a recent attack of dysentery, he has become accustomed to the opium habit and asked to be allowed to relish. This memorial was returned to him, granting him a hundred days within which to cure himself of the habit, after which he was to return to his duties. It seems as if ridicule and the sense of the ludicrous with which the Chinese, despite their general stolidity, are well provided, are to be called in to aid the good cause. The Superintendent of Police at Canton, we are told, has had made twenty thousand wooden licences for Canton. These licences are ten inches long, eight wide, and three-tenths of an inch thick. On one side is written the name and address of the licensee and the quantity allowed him per diem; on the other are the new opium regulations, which are far more stringent than those on the licence hitherto used. One of the rules is that smokers who go to purchase opium are not permitted to wrap up these licences or to conceal them in any way, but must wear them conspicuously so that all may see them. Anyone found concealing a licence is fined $5 for the first offence and more on subsequent occasions. One would think that none but hardened sinners would be willing to parade the streets with a ten-by-eight-inch board attached to their persons calling attention to their weakness; and this dissuasive is likely to increase in strength as the movement gains in force and a stronger public opinion is created.

It is curious to reflect on the causes of this important movement. It was Emerson who remarked that all the efforts of philanthropic individuals put together have not profited the American people so much as the selfish energy of the capitalists who financed the great Transcontinental Railroads. Similarly it might be said that all the labours of missionaries and philanthropists, however praiseworthy, to awaken China and combat the opium habit and other evils have not had so much effect as the selfishness of foreign Powers in bringing China, through the bitter consciousness of her weakness, to a sense of the necessity for speedy reform. Now there can no longer be any doubt that the nation is awake and cannot henceforward return to her ancient somnolence; her evolution is perhaps the most interesting and important problem in the world-politics of our times.—*Japan Chronicle.*

Intimations

NETHERLANDS LLOYD OF AMSTERDAM AND BATAVIA.

THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS of the above Company, are prepared to accept Fire and Marine Risks at Current Rates.

CRUZ, BASTO & CO.

Hongkong, 11th November, 1908. [978

HARBOUR MASTER'S DEPARTMENT.

No. 859.

IT is hereby notified that information has been received from the Military Authorities that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out as under:—

The practice notified in *Government Notification* No. 825 for the 30th November is hereby cancelled.

On TUESDAY, the 1st December:—

From Pakshawan in a North-Easterly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 6.30 P.M., and finishing at 10 P.M.

On WEDNESDAY, the 2nd December:—

From Saiwan in a North-Easterly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards commencing at 3.30 P.M., and finishing at 5.30 P.M.

On THURSDAY, the 3rd December:—

From Stonecutters (West) in a North-Westerly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 9.30 A.M., and finishing at 12 Noon.

From Stonecutters in a North-Westerly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 6.30 P.M., and finishing at 10 P.M.

On FRIDAY, the 4th December:—

From L Belchers in a Westerly direction, at ranges up to 8,000 yards, commencing at 9.30 A.M., and finishing at 12 Noon.

On MONDAY, the 7th December:—

From Central in a South-Westerly direction, at ranges up to 10,000 yards, commencing at 10 A.M., and finishing at 12 Noon.

From Albion in a North-Westerly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 6.30 P.M., and finishing at 10 P.M.

On WEDNESDAY, the 9th December:—

From L Belchers in a North-Westerly direction, at ranges up to 8,000 yards, commencing at 9.30 A.M., and finishing at 12 Noon,

From Stonecutters (East) in a Westerly direction, at ranges up to 10,000 yards, commencing at 11.30 A.M., and finishing at 1 P.M.

On THURSDAY, the 10th December:—

From Stonecutters (Central) in a North-Westerly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 6.30 P.M., and finishing at 10 P.M.

If the weather is unfavourable on any of the above dates, practice will take place on the following day.

All ships, junks and other vessels are to keep clear of the ranges.

C. W. BECKWITH, Lieutenant, R.N., Harbour Master, &c.

Hongkong, 28th November, 1908. [1027

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Intimations.

PROFESSIONAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

DR. W. R. LAMB, AMERICAN OCULIST AND OPTICIAN.

NO. 11, KING EDWARD HOTEL ANNEXE.

HAS the pleasure of announcing his return to Hongkong where he will remain till DECEMBER 11TH.

He has all the latest and best instruments and apparatus for thoroughly Examining and Refracting the Eyes according to the most modern and approved methods as employed in the Metropolitan Eye Hospitals, and has the largest supply and greatest variety of the neatest kinds and styles of mountings and lenses of the best quality ever brought to this Colony—including several thousand different compound and prismatic lenses made specially to order for the correction of astigmatism and other abnormal conditions of refraction which the ordinary lenses commonly used will not correct. His facilities for attending to those in need of his services are equal in any respect to the best obtainable anywhere abroad.

Those who are troubled with weak or defective vision, who suffer from eyeache, headache in the orbital region, inflammation of the eyes or weakness of the ocular muscles, or any of the numerous conditions due to eye strain and necessitating the use of glasses—and most of these troubles are permanently cured by accurate refraction and properly suited glasses—would do well to avail themselves of the present exceptional opportunity of having their eyes properly examined and refracted and obtaining glasses of the right kind. There are hundreds, if not thousands here, having defective sight who have never had their eyes properly examined by a qualified Oculist, and who are using glasses which in at least nine-tenths of the cases are quite unsuitable, and which not only fail to bring the vision up to the highest possible standard, but the eyes are often much strained, and the vision seriously and often permanently impaired.

Dr. LAMB is certificated in optics as well as in medicine, has made the Eyes a specialty for over 20 years so that all glasses he supplies to his patients are warranted to be correct. He has thousands of references and testimonials from influential citizens from several British Colonies which he has visited professionally and can assure those in need of his services the most thorough, reliable and satisfactory professional work. Charges Reasonable—and Consultation Free.

HOURS: 9 a.m. to 12 a.m.; 2 to 5 p.m.

Hongkong, 27th November, 1908. [1025

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS BAZAAR,

to be held at the ITALIAN CONVENT, 28 CAINE ROAD, on the 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 7th DEC. On behalf of the POOR LITTLE ORPHANS.

DOLLS, TOYS, SWEETS, and ARTICLES of every description suitable for Christmas presents.

Hongkong, 2nd December, 1908. [1018

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7.00 a.m.	
7.30 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.	...Every 10 minutes
9.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.	...Every 15 minutes
11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m.	...Every 15 minutes.
12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m.	...Every 10 minutes.
1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m.	...Every 15 minutes.
1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m.	...Every 10 minutes
2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.	...Every 15 minutes.
3.30 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.	...Every 15 minutes.
5.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.	...Every 10 minutes.

NIGHT CARS.

8.45 p.m. and 9 p.m., 9.45 p.m. to 11.15 p.m. every half hour.

SUNDAYS.

8.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m.	...Every 15 minutes
9.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.	...Every 30 minutes.
9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.	...Every 15 minutes.
10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.	...Every 10 minutes.
11.45 a.m. to 12.00 noon	...Every 15 minutes.
12.00 Noon to 1.00 p.m.	...Every 10 minutes
1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.	...Every 15 minutes
5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	...Every 10 minutes
6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.	...Every 15 minutes.
7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.	...Every 10 minutes

NIGHT CARS as on Week Days.

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Extra cars at 9.15 p.m., 11.30 p.m. and 11.45 p.m.

SPECIAL CARS by Arrangement at the Company's Office, ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS, Des Vœux Road Central.

JOHN. D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.

Hongkong, 4th June, 1907 [67

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Hongkong, 15th August, 1908. [70

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Hongkong, 10th September, 1907. [68

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LATEST METHODS OF DENTISTRY.

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REASONABLE FEES.

Consultation Free.

Hongkong, 20th June, 1904. [60

Dr. M. H. CHAUN, THE LATEST METHOD of the AMERICAN SYSTEM OF DENTISTRY 22, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A.

Hongkong, 28th April, 1904 [19

Consignees.

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENMOHR," FROM LEITH, ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd prox. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 9th prox., or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 2nd prox., at 11 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1908. [1023

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer "OCEANA," FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed *at their risk* in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

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Goods not cleared by the 2nd December, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1908. [9

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE Steamship "JAPAN," having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Hazardous and/or extra hazardous godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

DAVID SASSOON & Co., LIMITED, Agents.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1908. [1037

AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORESS of the ITALIAN CONVENT, CAINE ROAD, begs most respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of Hongkong and the Coast Ports, for their kind patronage and support, and desires to state that she will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds of NEEDLE WORK.

Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Cuffs and Collars renewed on old ones.

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Hongkong, 22nd April, 1904. [18

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For alleviation of bronchitis, hoarseness, coughs, asthma, colds, and disorders of the throat and lungs.

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Highly recommended.

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For colds in the Chest, bronchitis, sore throat, &c.

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KOWLOON DISPENSARY.
Hongkong, 23rd October, 1908 [33

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DEATH.

On November 27, 19 8, at Shanghai, RICHARD MARKWICK, aged 47 years.

The Hongkong Telegraph

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THE EMPRESS-DOWAGER'S PRIVY PURSE.

Who would have believed that the estate of the late Empress-Dowager of China only amounted to the comparatively small sum of twenty million dollars, or less than two million pounds sterling? Nevertheless that is the estimate which the Prince Regent is believed to have made, and it is suggested that the estate of the late Emperor is even less. Where have all the *hundreds of thousands of taels* which were regularly remitted by the Provincial Governments disappeared to, and what has become of the enormous sums presented to Her Majesty on her birthday and other special occasions when officials deemed it advisable to curry favour by gifts of hard cash? There is not a single viceroy in the Chinese Empire who has not emptied his coffers into the lap of the avaricious ruler, who knew how to tighten the strings which held the realm together. The most insignificant official was not ignored when he gathered together a respectable amount which could swell the Imperial Treasury, and the mandarinate knew only too well that the tenure of their office and the probability of advancement depended mainly on their ability to propitiate the Throne by the remittance of ready money. It cannot be denied that before the monetary presents reached their destination, the higher officials had their pickings, but even the Grand Councillors would have thought twice before they handed over to the imperious Dowager a miserable pittance as the semblance of some financial consideration. Time and again reports have been published of the magnificent donations by private individuals to the exchequer reserved for the Royal Family at Peking, and it is not to be disputed that wealthy merchants and officials who were in a position to squeeze effectively the districts under their control have been quietly informed that it would be for the benefit of their health and the promotion of their interests if they could possibly manage to augment the funds at the direct disposal of the Throne. Now, it is ridiculous to believe that twenty million dollars represents the residue left after the personal tastes of the Empress-Dowager had been satisfied. So far as outsiders are aware, the predilections of Her Majesty for amusements and diversions were not of a very expensive character. Far too much depended on her personal attention to matters of State importance to permit of any abnormal indulgence in fantastic pleasures. We read that the Empress Dowager kept a pleasure pavilion where pleasure boats were held in readiness to suit the convenience of the Imperial party and that the upkeep of this establishment necessitated the expenditure of large sums annually. That is surely a very lame excuse to account for the moderate estate left behind. If the Empress had been in the habit of gallivanting round the Provinces in search of entertainment there is a possibility that the initial cost of the journeys might have been exceedingly alarming, but even then the magnates honoured by the visit of the Imperial entourage would have been compelled to defray the greater part of the travelling expenses, just as the Dalai Lama has been living in luxury on the sweat-earned savings of the peasantry. Is it conceivable that officials like the late Li Hung-chang, or Yuan Shih-kai, Chang Chih-tung and our friend Shum did not contribute millions to maintain the Imperial household, even where no compulsion was exercised and no urgent need for gratuitous thank-offerings apparent? And still if we are to believe all we hear, the estate of the all-powerful and actual ruler of China for a quarter of a century has dwindled to the paltry sum of twenty million dollars, an amount which an Oriental sovereign could dissipate on insipidities in a few days. As for the Emperor's estate of a few millions—some vernacular papers aver that it does not exceed ten millions—the question becomes still more inexplicable. The Emperor was a weakling, and a nonentity; he never had the chance of flinging his pocket-money about like a *mauvais roué*; he could hardly call his soul his own, and it is certain that if he had attempted to emulate the fashionables and bloods of his caste he would have been quickly brought to heel by the dominant power. It was not unusual for him, even when he had reached manhood, to be summarily locked up in his apartments when he committed minor indiscretions, and altogether, his opportunities of facting the gay and debonair princeling were smaller than those of the meanest subject in the Middle Kingdom. At the same time he was not forgotten when the presentation season was in full swing, and as one who was thrifty by compulsion he must have accumulated quite a fortune, as fortunes are understood in monarchical circles. But according to those who have constituted themselves his executors, the Son of Heaven has left behind him an amount considerably less than Mr. Andrew Carnegie annually disperses for the erection of free libraries, church organs, and up-to-date Valhallas. Say that the total value of the personal estate of the late Empress-Dowager and the Emperor combined realises thirty million dollars, what secret methods have been adopted to dispose of the remainder? It could not have vanished without leaving some trace of its whereabouts, and who should know better what has become of it than the Grand Councillors? The Prince Regent, it is reported, proposes to devote the entire sum towards the creation of a navy for China. What sort of a navy can be gathered together for a matter of £3,000,000? Great Britain pays more than that for two battleships—the *Dreadnought* and *Lord Nelson* having cost £1,600,000 each. But of course, if China limits herself to gunboats and torpedo boats she might acquire a flotilla of mosquito craft which would suffice to patrol effectively the great estuaries along the South and East coasts and prove of infinite service in time of trouble. Might we interject here the remark that if the resolution of the Prince Regent and his advisers is adopted, there is a possibility that the work of constructing at least a portion of this flotilla might be obtained by the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, provided the directors take time by the forelock. Quoting from a summarised report in the Navy League Annual on the Chinese Navy, "The Ministry of War recently sent to all the viceroys and governors of provinces a long report to be read before it is laid before the Emperor. The project set forth by this report is that China's navy shall be divided into three fleets—namely those of Pe-yang, Nan-yang and Yuet-yang. Each of these naval divisions will consist of one first-class battleship, one or two first-class cruisers, four or five second-class cruisers, six fourth-class cruisers, a flotilla of gunboats, a flotilla of transport ships and despatch-boats, with flotillas of torpedo-boats and destroyers, and a flotilla of submarines. Each fleet will have its own stations; the Northern fleet will have stations at Chefoo, Tientsin, and Taku; the Middle fleet will be stationed at Sem-men-wan and Chusan, and the Southern fleet at Canton and Yeul-ling-kong. Every naval station will be in charge of a commander, who will be responsible for the drilling of the crews and for the cruises. The commander-in-chief of the fleet will have his headquarters at Nan-yang. The vessels forming the present Chinese Navy will be put to other uses." So much for the Navy *in posse*. But we have not yet got to the bottom of the declarations that the joint estate of the Empress-Dowager and Emperor is only worth thirty millions, or how the vast sums collected from the Provinces and from individuals have been dissipated. Probably, we shall never know where the money went to. All we wonder now is, How will Emperor Pu-yi, the successor to Kwang-Hsu, manage to exist now that it is proposed to deplete the Imperial exchequer to the last farthing?

SOME IMPORTANT POINTS FOR SHIPPERS AND SHIP-OWNERS.

One of those curious cases which puzzle and baffle jurists and laymen alike has just been "decided" in the British Supreme Court at Shanghai leaving, however, the position unaltered, so that neither side can claim a victory nor is any precedent laid down for similar actions in the future. The case is of importance because it deals with a problem which is bound to arouse much discussion in shipping circles and may have the effect of leading to an amendment in the agreement arranged between the shipper and the shipping company or carrier. It will be within the recollection of readers that in October last year a curious accident befell the *Empress of China*, when she sank at the wharf at Vancouver while receiving cargo for the Orient. At the time it was believed that the accident was no accident at all, but the deliberate act of certain foreigners who might have had some animus not so much against the boat as against the C.P.R., the owners. It was discovered, however, that the accident was due to the fact that the condenser discharge pipe had been negligently left open. As the result of the sinking, the cargo which had already been stored away was damaged, particularly a consignment of cigarettes which had been sent aboard by the British-American Tobacco Co. A year after the accident almost to the very day an action was brought in H.B.M. Court at Shanghai at the instance of the Tobacco Co. claiming damages from the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. "on an implied warranty of seaworthiness, *i.e.* that the ship should be fit to receive the plaintiff's cargo of cigarettes." The jury's findings as summarised by the Court were. 1.—That the ship was seaworthy about 11 a.m. at about which time the shipping of the cigarettes was commenced. 2.—That the ship was unseaworthy and in imminent danger at 3.30 p.m. when the shipping of the cigarettes was about finished but the jury cannot say that the last case of cigarettes was on board. 3.—That they cannot say whether the ship became unseaworthy before the completion of the shipping of the cigarettes; they do not understand enough about ships to say the moment when she became unseaworthy. The question for the Supreme Court now was, "How ought judgment to be entered on these findings?" It was claimed by counsel for the defendants that judgment should be awarded his clients because they had provided a ship which was fit to receive cargo when the act of shipping began, or, in the alternative, because the burden of proof was on the plaintiff and had not been discharged. His Lordship dismissed the suggestion that the *Carron Park* case was on all fours with the *Empress of China* and said that he could find no authority for the proposition of defendants' counsel that the shipowner's duty is fulfilled when he has provided a ship fit to receive the cargo at the commencement of the act of loading that cargo. In regard to the burden of proof the jury had not answered the material question, what proportion of the cigarettes had already been shipped when the vessel became unseaworthy? For these reasons he thought judgment could not be entered for the defendants. That settled the defendants, and the question now arose whether the plaintiff was entitled to judgment. His Lordship held that judgment could only be entered for the plaintiffs if the jury having found the ship to be seaworthy at 11 a.m. and had further found that at some time before the shipping of the cigarettes was finished the ship had become unseaworthy, and if the law was that such unseaworthiness occurring before a continuous shipment had been completed related back to the commencement of the act of shipping and rendered the ship unseaworthy *ab initio*. But the jury did not so find, nor did that seem to be the law. Now comes the point which will interest shippers and shipowners alike. The law as it appeared to the judge seemed to be that "the ship must be seaworthy for the reception of each package as it is carried on board." That is an extraordinarily fine point and in our opinion cannot be accepted as more than a simple *obiter dictum*. Is it to be assumed from that definition that until the last package is placed on board while the ship is in a seaworthy condition, the shipowners are not responsible for any loss that may be sustained by the consignors, or is it that the shippers are only entitled to damages to the amount of the loss sustained on the packages damaged on board? If the latter then the shipper would have no great grievance beyond perhaps the delay resulting from the accident to a vessel, and the possible quashing of a contract owing to non-fulfilment of delivery on a specified date. If the former, the shippers are placed at a decided disadvantage. But as we are not initiated into the terms of the claim against the Canadian Pacific Railway Company we are not in a position to say which party seems to have been despoiled. His Lordship argued that as the jury said they could not find the moment when the ship became unseaworthy nor whether the last case of cigarettes was or was not on board at 3.30 p.m. when they did find the ship to have been unseaworthy he had come to the conclusion that on these findings no judgment could be entered either way. There was no order as to costs, so that each party paid their own expenses. It is a most unsatisfactory result, because it leaves both shipowners and shippers in a tangle of doubt as to their rights and liabilities. If the case is appealed to the higher court we may get further light on the subject, but as it stands the case is a distinct and interesting problem for the legal theorist.

YARN LOTTERIES IN SHANGHAI.

Some time ago we called attention to the fact that although the yarn lottery system initiated by the yarn dealers in Japan had been frustrated so far as dealings in Hongkong were concerned by the action of the Government, it was an open secret that the scheme was being pushed for all it was worth in Shanghai. We also expressed astonishment that the Municipal authorities in the Northern Settlement should blink their eyes to this illegitimate and reprehensible method of interfering with trade, and suggested that steps should be taken to stamp out this deplorable practice not merely for the benefit of honest yarn dealers but also for the benefit of those Chinese whose natural bent for lotteries and gambles would be increased tenfold were the cute machinations of the Japanese allowed to continue. As a matter of fact the system of prizes as originated by certain of the Japanese yarn exporters was reprobated by the best members of their own fraternity in Japan. We learn that whether acting on the advice of the *Telegraph* or other antagonist to this lottery system a Shanghai ratepayer furnished certain information to the Municipal Council—as if they needed to be wakened up to see what was going on under their noses—and showed specimens of lottery tickets sold with the bales of cotton yarn imported from Japan. The Council thereupon addressed a letter to the Japanese Consul-General at Shanghai inquiring whether these operations had his sanction, and otherwise desiring an expression of his opinion on the subject. The members of the Municipal Council, it was stated, were unanimous in the view that this mode of competition was prejudicial to legitimate trade, and that every effort should be made to suppress the lottery, either by the prosecution of the concerned, or otherwise. Part of the letter to the Consul-General was in the following explicit terms: "The Council has given public notice that the concealment of lottery tickets in bales of yarn constitutes an infraction of the prohibition rules against lotteries in the Settlement, and before undertaking the Police prosecution of the concerned, I have the honour to inquire whether you are aware of the operations, and what view you take as to their desirability or the reverse. It is at all times the Council's endeavour where possible to obviate preferential treatment of any class of residents in the Settlement, and the suppressive measures which have been applied to native lotteries during recent years would fail in their object were a lottery of the present character allowed to function with impunity." The reply of the Consul-General to the Council's note was bright, brief, but by no means brotherly. It ran: "I beg to inform you that the coupons to which you refer are given away and are not sold. I am therefore unable to see any objection to this method of doing business. Art. XXXIV. of the by-laws of the Municipal Regulations, refers to the sale of lottery tickets or chances in lotteries." And as far as we can remember there the matter rests. A little bluff goes a long way now and then.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H.M.S. *Monmouth* left for the North early this morning.

SEVERAL failures of minor native banks at Hankow were announced on 23rd ultimo, the total sum involved being not very large, however.

A BOATMAN in whose possession a drum of paint was found by the police, was given fourteen days' to-day to think how he came into possession, or from whom he had stolen the stuff.

LI SING, the coolie who was accused of bringing Wing Wong Kwan, a sixteen-year-old boy, into the Colony for the purpose of "selling like a pig" to some dealer in the Straits Settlements, was sentenced to a year's gaol in the Police Court, this morning.

THE charge against Choi Ming Shek, a cashier of the I On Marine and Fire Insurance Company, who was alleged to have embezzled the sum of $40,000 from his employers, has been withdrawn. The defendant's discharge came about in the Police Court, this afternoon.

A TOKIO despatch of 27th ult. says:—The Privy Council has approved of the establishment of a Railway Board, as a sequel to the nationalization of Japanese railways. It is expected that Baron Goto (President of the South Manchuria Railway) will be appointed President of the Board.

THE plague is now officially declared as got under at Tongshan, but it is well-known that other cases have broken out in some of the surrounding villages, so that the Sanitary Bureau should still take preventive measures in these isolated places, or the disease will soon spread.

IT has been quite usual for private corporations and individuals to apply to the Chinese Government for mining concessions and railway concessions, so the Wai Wu-pu has made a new rule that hereafter no applications of this sort will be received, unless such applications are made through the Foreign Minister.

THE Tientsin native city now presents an unusual appearance, all red or gilt signs and inscriptions &c., &c., having been now converted into blue or white; and the big bell at the yamen and many of the temple bells have been kept tolling for quite a while. No festivities of any kind will be possible for many months.

SENTENCE of six months' hard labour was passed on a coolie named Cheung Chan by Mr. J. H. Kemp, in the Police Court, this forenoon, for theft. Cheung, it was stated, removed from the pocket of one James Lee yesterday a bank book, two letters, and $170 in cash. The theft took place in Queen's Road. The complainant resides at 16, Wing Wo Street.

A RICKSHA coolie who goes under the name of Cheung Chi lost his temper yesterday afternoon while receiving a lecture from his employer. He struck the compradore, and then proceeded to demolish his vehicle. He succeeded in doing $2 worth of damage only. Brought before a magistrate this morning he was fined $4 and ordered to pay $5 compensation. The money was not forthcoming when the reporter left the Magistracy.

THE prosecution brought by the police against the coolie Ho Cheung and Messrs. Hastings and Hastings' shroff (Chan Chick Yee) for being in unlawful possession of three cheques belonging to the Dairy Farm Company, was concluded in the Police Court yesterday afternoon. It will be remembered Detective Sergeant Appleton found the lost cheques in Ho Cheung's possession, and it was alleged that Chan Chick Yee had attempted to dispose of them for a reward. The magistrate (Mr. J. R Wood) discharged the case.

ATTACKED BY ROFFIANS.

CARPENTERS' EXPERIENCE AT WEST POINT.

Leung I Fong is a dark alleyway at West Point, running between High Street and Third Street, and is well known as the rendezvous of ruffians after night-fall.

At about nine o'clock last night two carpenters, one of whom was named Mok Kwai, had a rather rough experience while using this alleyway as a short cut to the house of a friend, whom they were going to meet. Four men, who had been hiding themselves in a doorway, rushed out and attacked Mok Kwai, who was coming up a few paces behind his friend. He was seized by the hair and thrown to the ground. While down another man sat on his chest, a third proceeded to remove his shoes, while the fourth man started to rifle his pockets. Mok cried loudly for help and his friend ran to his rescue. The marauders were taken by surprise, and bolted in different directions once they had got clear of the alley. Mok and his friend pursued one man and caught him in Third Street, handing him over to a policeman.

The man, who gave the name of Cheung Chong, of 12, Nullah Lane, Wanchai, was charged by Inspector Robertson in the Police Court, to-day, with assault, intending to rob, and he was sentenced to six months' hard labour.

Telegrams.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

THE EMPEROR'S ENTHRONEMENT.

CEREMONIAL OBSERVANCES.

[*By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."*]

Peking, 1st December.

To-day being the day fixed for the accession of the young Emperor to the Throne, the Board of Rites has telegraphed to the Viceroys, governors and generals of the Provinces that they should on that day, together with the civil and military officials under them, perform congratulatory ceremonies, and that the officials and people within their respective jurisdictions should wear appropriate costume on that day.

On accession day if any foreign officials or merchants should present themselves for the purpose of offering congratulations, the Chinese officials should receive them in their robes of office and hoist flags and fire salutes (as the case may be) in accordance with prescribed custom. As soon as the ceremonies are over, officials are enjoined to observe all the mourning ceremonies.

Later.

The Diplomatic Corps in Peking has requested the Waiwupu to present a memorial on their behalf stating that it is the wish of the Foreign representatives to be present to offer congratulations on the occasion of the accession of the Young Emperor to the Throne.

CHINA'S NAVY.

GERMANY'S PROFERRED ASSISTANCE.

[*By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."*]

Peking, 1st December.

In an interview with the Ministers of the Foreign Office, the German Minister mentioned that his Government was prepared to assist China in the reorganisation of her Navy.

JAPAN AND CHINA.

COMPENSATION FOR SOLDIERS.

[*By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."*]

Kirin, 1st December.

Mr. Ijuin, the Japanese Minister in Peking, has notified his Government's intention to pay compensation in the case wherein six Chinese soldiers were shot by Japanese in Kirin.

THE ANHUI MUTINY.

TAOTAI IN TROUBLE.

[*By courtesy of the "Sheung Po."*]

Shanghai, 1st December.

The soldiers who mutinied in Anhui have been examined and have confessed that their leader was Hung Sing-kee.

Hung having been recommended for appointment by Taotai Ku Chung-sum, the Provincial Judge has placed the latter in custody pending further proceedings.

THE charge brought against Fattah Singh, an Indian police-constable, formerly stationed at Yau-ma-ti, for accepting as a bribe a bottle of whisky from a hawker at Kowloon the other day, particulars of which we recorded recently, was concluded in the Police Court, yesterday. Mr. J. H. Kemp sent the accused to gaol for six months. In passing sentence his Worship said that the offence was a very serious one. He had taken into account the good character of the defendant but he could not impose a less sentence.

Telegrams.

[*Reuter's.*]

The Japan-American Agreement.

LONDON, 30th November.

The British and French press heartily applaud the Japan-American Agreement as a fresh guarantee of the world's peace and prosperity.

The American papers also approve of the Agreement.

A St. Petersburg semi-official communique says that the Agreement is exactly analogous to the Franco-Japanese and the Russo-Japanese Agreements of 1907 and certainly forms a further guarantee of peace in the Far East, for which it is warmly welcomed.

Later.

Russia and the Japan-American Agreement

The *Novoe Vremya* unreservedly welcomes the Japan-American Agreement as an influence for peace, but the *Russ* declares that it is merely a truce while two Powers complete their preparations for a great struggle.

The Near Eastern Question.

A great anti-Austrian demonstration has taken place at Rome where troops have had to be stationed to bar the way to the Austrian Embassies.

TRAGIC DEATH OF MR. R. MARKWICK.

FORMER HONGKONG RESIDENT SHOOTS HIMSELF.

The *N. C. D. News*, of 18th ultimo, reports:—About 9 a.m. yesterday, as the employees of the China Mutual Insurance Company were arriving at the office, No. 13a Canton Road, the report of a shot was heard and on proceeding to the rear part of the building, from which the sound seemed to have come, Mr. Kittaler, one of the office staff, found the body of a foreigner lying on the landing in the middle of the back staircase. Assistance was called for and on closer examination it was found that the foreigner was Mr. Richard Markwick, who had for many years been employed by the Insurance Company. Blood was issuing from the mouth, nose and ears, and at the side of the body was a six-chambered revolver. Mr. Markwick was unconscious, but was still breathing, and was carried to the top of the stairs by Mr. Kittaler and Mr. J. C. Burgess. Dr. Goode, medical director of the Company, was immediately summoned by telephone, but the injured man was then beyond the power of medical assistance and a few minutes after the arrival of the doctor he expired. The deceased was in Hongkong in 1861 and had been a resident of Shanghai since 1883. Almost from the time that the China Mutual Insurance Company came into being he was employed by the firm, and although for a short period he joined the service of the Shanghai Life Insurance Company, he afterwards returned to his previous employment. He was for many years an enthusiastic volunteer and a member of the Artillery Company and though not taking an active part in athletic sports was always an interested spectator of both cricket and football matches and one of the most earnest supporters of the Shanghai Recreation Club.

The body was removed to the Public Mortuary, Fearon Road, and an inquest was opened yesterday morning by the Coroner, Mr. W. King.

John Cecil Burgess, a clerk in the employment of the China Mutual Insurance Company, identified the body and stated that he had known the deceased for eighteen months. He last saw him alive when he called at the office about ten days ago. Prior to that occasion, witness had called to see the deceased at the Shanghai General Hospital. Mr. Markwick had been ill since the middle of September and had been away from office since that time, with the exception of a few days. Witness did not know the nature of the illness. He did not hear the revolver shot, but was called immediately afterwards and saw the body. He telephoned immediately for Dr. Goode. He was called by Mr. Kittaler, who had tried to carry the deceased to the head of the staircase. When witness arrived, Mr. Markwick was still alive and was lying half-way up the back staircase. Witness assisted to move him before the arrival of the doctor, because the body was lying in a very cramped position. The revolver was lying at the side of the body in a pool of blood. The deceased was moved to the top of the stairs and was then breathing heavily and with great difficulty owing to the blood flowing from the throat. So far as witness could tell, he was then unconscious. He did not speak. He was still alive when the doctor arrived, but died about ten or fifteen minutes later.

The inquest was adjourned until 2.15 p.m. on Monday, the 30th instant, at H. M. Police Court.

It will be remembered that some time ago, says the Kobe *Herald*, the N.Y.K. laid up three steamers here—the, *Yokohama Maru*, *Omi Maru* and *Nagato Maru*. Since then, the T.K.K. steamers *Manshu Maru* (5,248 tons) and and *Kasato Maru* have been laid up at Yokohama, Mr. Hiromi's *Ufina Maru* (4,403 tons) and Mr. Kishimoto's *Shinkoku Maru* (4,754 tons) at Osaka, and the *Tatsu Maru* (5,148 tons) and *Rioto Maru* (7,521 tons) at Kobe. The Government transport *Miyoshino Maru* (5,706 tons), which will shortly be released, will be laid up at Osaka. It is greatly feared, that the number of laid-up vessels will increase, as time goes on, and there is a good deal of anxiety amongst shipping companies and private steamship owners in consequence.

Chinese Editor's Predicament.

EDITOR OF THE "SHEUNG PO" ORDERED TO BE BANISHED.

COUNSEL FILES MOTION FOR RULE NISI.

Arising out of the boycott by Chinese of Japanese and their manufactures and in relation to the recent riots on the 1st and November last, banishment orders have been issued by Government against several Chinese members of the community, included among whom were a piece-goods merchant, an insurance broker in the employ of a prominent British firm, and the talented editor, Mr. Ng Hin Tsz, of our progressive Chinese contemporary, the *Sheung Po*, printed and published in this Colony. In the cases of a few the banishment order has been complied with. In the case of Mr. Ng Hin Tsz, against whom the banishment order was made on the 23rd November, 1908, to be obeyed within seven days from that date, the order having been disregarded, the Chinese editor has been arrested and is now detained in Police custody. Immediately upon that gentleman's apprehension notice of motion for a rule *nisi* was filed in the Supreme Court yesterday. For the benefit of those who may be uninitiated in legal phraseology it may be explained that the effect of the motion is to enable Counsel to argue the case before the Court whether a writ of *habeas corpus* will be issued. His Honour Sir Francis Piggott (Chief Justice) has fixed Friday, the 4th inst., at 2 p.m., for the hearing of the motion. Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., has been retained as Counsel for Ng Hin Tsz; he will be instructed by Mr. Otto Kong Sing, solicitor.

MORE RACE GRIFFINS.

ARRIVAL OF SECOND BATCH.

Another batch of subscription griffins numbering twenty-three in all arrived by the steamer *Hang Sang*, to-day. They were drawn for this afternoon at Kennedy's Causeway Bay Repository. The result of the drawing is appended:—

No. 25—White—Capt. Barker (Buffs).
No. 26—White—General Broadwood.
No. 27—Bay—Admiral Lambton.
No. 28—Bay—A. Moir.
No. 29—Chestnut—Capt. Houblon (Buffs).
No. 30—Chestnut—C. E. Anton.
No. 31—White—Lieut. Leeson.
No. 32—Bay—J. R. M. Smith.
No. 33—Dark Grey—A. C. Hynes.
No. 34—Black—Major Finlay.
No. 35—Gray—Hind and Hynes.
No. 36—Roan—Macdonald and Howarth.
No. 37—Iron Grey—P. W. Goldring.
No 38—Grey—Lieut. Stodd.
No. 39—White—G. Friesland.
No. 40—Bay—H. P. White.
No. 41—Chestnut—W. J. Gresson.
No. 42—Grey—F. B. Deacon.
No. 43—White—J. H. Lewis.
No. 44—Iron Gray—Wayfong Mess.
No. 45—Grey—H. N. Mody.
No. 46—Bay—J. Wheeley.
No. 47—Grey—H. Humphreys.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council will be held to-morrow, Thursday, at 2.30 p.m. when the following business will be considered:—

1. Financial Minutes. (Nos. 61 to 68.)

2. Report of the Finance Committee. (No. 18.)

3. Resolution under Section 170 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903.

4. Byelaws under Section 170 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903:—(*a*) Bake-houses. (*b*) Cattle-sheds, Pig-sties, etc. (*c*) Cemeteries. (*d*) Dairy. (*e*) Depôts for Cattle, Pigs, Sheep and Goats. (*f*) Disinfection of Infected Premises. (*g*) Domestic Cleanliness and Ventilation. (*h*,) Importation and Inspection of Animals. (*i*.) Latrines. (*j*.) Laundry. (*k*.) Prevention and Mitigation of Epidemic, Endemic, Contagious or Infectious Disease. (*l*) Prevention of the breeding of Mosquitoes. (*m*.) Removal of Ceiling and Stair Linings. (*n*) Removal of Patients.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to empower a Magistrate to hold a Small Debt Court in the New Territories and to regulate the proceedings in relation thereto.

First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend The Magistrates' Ordinance 1890, and to effect certain other amendments in the Criminal Law.

First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend The Fire Insurance Companies Ordinance 1908.

First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend The Interpretation Ordinance 1897 and to remove an ambiguity in the construction of the same.

First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance farther to amend The Companies Ordinance 1865.

Committee on the Bill entitled An Ordinance for Authorizing the Construction of a Tramway within the Colony of Hongkong.

C. CLEMENTI,
Clerk of Councils.

N.B.—A meeting of the Finance Committee will be held immediately after the Council.

Two employees of the King Edward Hotel were in the Police Court this morning to have a dispute properly settled by a proper person, who happened to be the first police magistrate. Chan Sit, a coolie, was charged with assaulting Tai Chuk-Man, a table "boy," which he denied. It was proved, however, that a quarrel between them led to Chan using his strength on Tai, who felt the pain. The pugilist was ordered to pay a fine of $4 and to compensate the "boy" in the sum of $5.

CANTON DAY BY DAY.

AFTERMATH OF A SAD INCIDENT.

[*From Our Own Correspondent.*]

Canton, 1st December.

With reference to the disturbance on board the steamer *Fatshan* following is a free translation of a joint petition to the officials by the passengers:—

"On the 28th ultimo we, the undersigned, were passengers on board the steamer *Fatshan*. At about 11 o'clock in the evening, the members of the compradore's department, together with some foreign officers, came round to collect fares. One of the Chinese passengers, whose name is not known, who is a little over forty years of age, was then asleep with a blanket over him on deck. The ticket collectors overlooked the latter for his fare. At about 12 o'clock, one of the ticket-collecting officers, a foreigner, came round for tickets. He roused the sleeping passenger by means of a kick and asked him for his ticket. The passenger started up half dozing and the foreign officer seeing him in this semi-awake condition, and being impatient, treated him to to few more kicks and demanded his ticket. The passenger said: "You haven't come for my fare; where can I have a ticket to give you?" On hearing this reply, the foreign officer dealt the passenger a couple of slaps. When the passenger was going to produce the money from his pocket, the foreigner again gave him a slap on the head. The passenger then asked for quarter but, nevertheless, the foreigner gave him a few more kicks on his right ribs and uttered some abusive words. The passenger, on receiving these wounds, fell down unconscious, and after three-quarters of an hour, the unfortunate man succumbed. When the passenger first boarded the steamer, he was seen sitting down on a straw mat and smoking a cigarette, and on being asked by the cook of the ship if he wanted any rice, he said he had had his supper already before coming to the steamer. Seeing the Chinese passenger was brutally done to death by the foreigner, the other Chinese passengers were in a state of consternation, all determined to take revenge on the offender, who then made his escape. We, Fung Tsek Son and Tam Shiu Po, (two of the undersigned) were originally passengers on the upper deck and on hearing the scuffle ran down to see what had happened. After we had recovered from our first shock, we at once started a subscription list and thus collected a certain sum of money from among the other Chinese passengers. We were then selected to report, on immediate arrival at Canton, the case to the Water Police Authorities, the Self-Government Society and the Red Cross Society. We personally saw all that had passed, and we are now quite willing to present ourselves as eye-witnesses. The foreigner is called Sung Kai Tsai, which means a cunning chick, and serves as a nickname. The dead body of the passenger is still lying on board the steamer under the vigilance of a number of Chinese coolies who voluntarily offered their services. We have handed the money that we have collected from subscriptions on board to the Self-Government Society. We beg that you (officials) will at once hold an inquest on the body, together with the members of the Self-Government Society and the Red Cross Society and to deal with the case with nothing but justice."

(Signed) Yeung Wo Kai; Cheung Lau Ki; Kan Kwong Yat; Lo Chui Son; Fung Tsek Son; Tam Shiu Po and others.

At the inquest held later on the body, the foreign doctor was convinced that there were no marks on it, but the people remonstrated and insisted on re-examining it personally. During the examination, the Chinese are said to have found marks of fatality in various parts of the body and afterwards the body was removed ashore at 4 p.m.

A conference is to be held to-day at the Bureau of Foreign Affairs and the members of the Self-Government Society have been called to attend it, bringing with them the necessary witnesses.

The Self-Government Society has issued a circular persuading the people to remain quiet and see how the case will be conducted, but on no account to create any disturbances in a foolish way.

FIRE.

On the night of the 28th ultimo, at about 1 o'clock, a fire broke out in Chu Sau Lane in the western suburb, which destroyed seventeen houses in all. The conflagration originated in a candle maker's store. The fire brigade fortunately, by their presence of mind, forced a hole in the wall of one of the houses and in this way a number of lives were saved.

H.E. CHEUNG PAT SZE.

H.E. Cheung Pat Sze returned to Canton yesterday after making a tour of inspection of the proposed line of railway between Tan Shui and Otou, on which work is expected to be commenced before long.

AN IMPOSTOR ON TRIAL.

Admiral Li Chun and the Kwangchow Brigadier-General and the Namhoi Magistrate have returned from Fatshan, where order has been restored. With reference to the monk who was the cause of the disturbances, the Provincial Judge presided personally at the Court to try him but the latter was reticent with regard to all questions put to him with the exception of a few religious words that he used in his prayers to the Buddha.

DISASTROUS CONFLAGRATION.

On the 27th ultimo, a fire broke out in Kam Chuk, a market-place in the Shun Tak district, at 1 p.m. The fire continued to rage till 7 p.m. when over one hundred and twenty buildings were gutted and two lives lost.

FATAL ACCIDENT.

Yesterday, as the steamer *Heungshan* was approaching her wharf on her arrival from Hongkong, a coolie, who attempted to get aboard her as quickly as he could, to obtain hire, had one of his legs crushed and cut through between the steamer and the side of the wharf.

LAST CRUISER COMPLETED.

The *Kiangku*, the last of the four shallow draft cruisers, built by the Kwong Hip Loong Dock Company to the order of the Canton Provincial Government for the West River patrol service, arrived here yesterday from Hongkong.

LOSS OF A WIFE.

INTERESTING CLAIM AGAINST OWNERS OF "LOONGSANG."

An action which should be interesting to the shipping community—and what interests our shipping friends is shared by the public in general—was mentioned in the Supreme Court, this morning. It was a claim brought by a coal coolie named Yun Wan, residing at 19, Cochrane Street, against the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited, to recover the sum of $1,000 as compensation for the loss of his wife, who met her death as the result of a collision between the steamer *Loongsang* and a passenger boat (No. 2565H) on board of which plaintiff's wife was a passenger. The collision was reported to have occurred shortly after five o'clock on the 19th June last, when the steamship *Loongsang* was leaving the harbour. The coolie boat with a crew and a number of passengers on board, was bound from Kowloon to Wanchai. In mid-harbour, through some reason yet to be explained, she was run down by the *Loongsang*. The force of the impact caused the junk to heel over, throwing the passengers into the water. Several launches which were in the vicinity, including No. 2 police launch, went to render assistance, and rescued everybody, except an old woman Kwok Ng, alleged to have been plaintiff's wife, seventy-seven years of age, who was found drowned in the hold of the boat. The passengers and crew were landed at Kowloon by the various launches, while the water-logged junk was towed to Causeway Bay, and beached. The *Loongsang* was delayed for a little while, but she was allowed to resume her journey after the necessary inquiries had been made.

When the case was called, Mr. Otto Kong Sing (for the plaintiff) said that he wanted a further adjournment, which his friend consented to but only on certain terms.

Mr. E. Davidson (representing the defendant company) stated that he had no objection to an adjournment, but his friend should be made to pay the costs of the day—payment to be made before the case came before the Court again.

Mr. Justice Gompertz confessed he knew nothing of the matter. It was a private arrangement between the parties, he stated.

Mr. Davidson—I want my friend's undertaking for costs before I consent. The matter has been on the list for weeks.

Mr. Kong Sing—To ask for taxed costs is unusual.

Mr. Davidson said that it depended a good deal on circumstances.

Mr. Justice Gompertz (to Mr. Kong Sing)—Why should I give you an adjournment?

The answer was that all the witnesses for the plaintiff could not be found to be subpœnaed. The case was also in the hands of Mr. Kong Sing's interpreter and he had been ill for a week.

Mr. Davidson understood that Mr. Kong Sing's interpreter had taken away the statements with him and under those circumstances it would be unfair for him to go on. He would be slow to take the opportunity to press matters as they stood. It was a concession on the defendants' part to consent to the adjournment at all, and he did not see why the costs were questioned. The amount was not a considerable one.

Mr. Kong Sing—We don't know what the costs will amount to.

Mr. Davidson—It is absurd for my friend to ask for anything else. The case will have to go back for a fortnight—

Mr. Justice Gompertz—Why?

Mr. Davidson—Because the *Loongsang* will not be here until then.

Mr. Justice Gompertz—Can't the costs be agreed to now?

Further discussion followed, until finally the undertaking for costs was given and the case adjourned until Friday week.

HARD TIMES FOR BARBERS.

SAD EXPERIENCE OF ONE IN HONGKONG

Since the Imperial Edict was issued ordering the people of the Two Kwang provinces to go into mourning for three months, during which period they were to allow their hair to grow, as a sign of respect for the death of the Emperor and Dowager-Empress of China, most of the barbers in the city of Canton have had to put up their shutters. Of course, a large number of the "profession" came to Hongkong to earn a living, among them being a man named Chu Hau. Chu came to Hongkong by a boat arriving on Sunday, and, stepping ashore, inquired his way to the nearest place of convenience of a coolie, who was standing at the entrance to the wharf. At sight the coolie knew he was dealing with a stranger, and before the little brick building in the middle of the road was reached he had formed his plans.

"Let me hold your bundle and umbrella for you while you are away," said the coolie, very kindly, when they had reached the door. The innocent barber handed over his property and went in. He was not away a minute. When he came out he discovered to his surprise that the "kind friend" had disappeared. To a *Tukong* he told his tale of woe and later to Inspector Robertson, of No. 7 Police Station, who very cleverly ran the coolie to earth yesterday, recovering most of the property in various pawnshops. The coolie was charged in the Police Court this morning, and, pleading guilty, was convicted and sentenced to six weeks' hard labour.

To-day's Advertisements.

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PLAINTIFF ABSENT.

INTERESTING ACTION NIPPED IN THE BUD.

Wrongful dismissal was the allegation put forward by Mr. M. J. Maher, a foreigner, formerly a clerk in the employ of the Dock Company, in support of his claim against the foreman engineer—Mr. James Guy—which was called in the Supreme Court, this afternoon. In the alternative he claimed $50 in lieu of a month's notice.

When the time set to hear the case came the plaintiff was not present, and Mr. Justice Gompertz inquired whether the matter had been settled.

Mr. A. Holborow (of Messrs. Deacon, Looker and Deacon) who appeared for the defence, said that he was inclined to believe that plaintiff had abandoned his claim.

The name of the plaintiff was called in the usual way by the usher, but there was no response. His Lordship waited for five minutes and the non-appearance of the plaintiff in that time gave everyone the impression that he had refused to proceed with the matter.

Judgment was entered for the defendant with costs.

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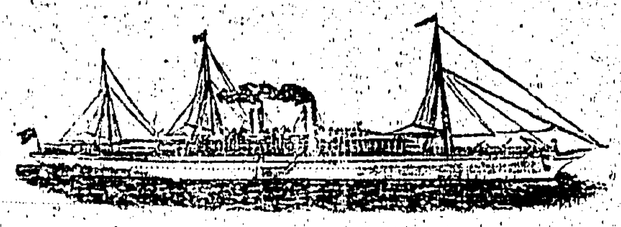

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Hongkong, 28th November, 1908. [7

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FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

"ERNEST SIMONS,"

Captain Girard, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about MONDAY, the 7th December.

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Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 30th November, 1908. [14

FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

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Capt. S. H. Belson, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 8th Dec., at Noon.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers, and is installed throughout with Electric Light and carries a duly certified Doctor.

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Hongkong, 30th November, 1908. [1034

Intimations.

COLD STORAGE.

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LTD., have now 40,000 Cubic feet of COLD STORAGE available at EAST POINT. Stores will be Open at 10 A.M. and 4 P.M. daily, Sunday excepted, to receive and deliver perishable goods.

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Hongkong, 22nd June, 1907. [16

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LD.

(CAPITAL PAID UP .....$1,250,000)

Loans on Mortgage of House Property, &c.
Goods received on Storage.
Advances made on Merchandise.
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THE OFFICE OF TRUSTEE, EXECUTOR OF WILLS, ATTORNEY, &c., Undertaken and Executed.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1908. [18

THERAPION MAY NOW ALSO BE OBTAINED IN DRAGÉE (TASTELESS) FORM.

A WONDERFUL DISCOVERY.

This is the age of research and experiment, when all nature, so to speak, is ransacked by the scientific for its comfort and happiness of man. Science has indeed made giant strides during the past century, and among the—by no means least important—discoveries in medicine comes that of

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This preparation is unquestionably one of the most genuine and reliable Patent Medicines ever introduced, and has, we understand, been used in the Continental Hospitals by Ricord, Rostan, Jobert, Velpeau, Malgaigne, the well-known Chassaignac, and indeed by all who are regarded as authorities in such matters, including the celebrated Lallemand, and Roux, by whom it was some time since uniformly adopted, and that it is worthy the attention of those who require such a remedy we think there is no doubt. From the time of Aristotle downwards, a potent agent in the removal of these diseases has (like the famed philosopher's stone) been the object of search of some hopeful, generous minds; and far beyond the mere power—if such could ever have been discovered—of transmuting the baser metals into gold is surely the discovery of a remedy so potent as to replenish the failing energies of the confirmed *roué* in the one case, and in the other so effectually, speedily and safely to expel from the system without the aid, or even the knowledge, of a second party, the poisons of acquired or inherited disease in all their protean forms as to leave no taint or trace behind. Such is

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which may certainly rank with, if not take precedence of, many of the discoveries of our day, about which so little ostentation and noise have been made, and the extensive and ever-increasing demand that has been created for this medicine wherever introduced appears to prove that it is destined to cast into oblivion all those questionable remedies that were formerly the sole reliance of medical men. Therapion may be obtained of the principal Chemists and Merchants throughout the world.—*Diamond Fields Advertiser, Kimberley.*

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BUTCHER MEAT.

	Cents.
Beef sirloin & prime cut—Mei Lung Pa ℔	18
" Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk ..... "	18
" Roast—Shiu " " ..... "	18
" Breast—Ngau Lam ..... "	13
" Soup, Tong Yuk ..... "	15
" Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa ..... "	18
" " Sirloin—Ngau Lau ..... "	28
" Sausages,—Ngau Yuk Chaung ... "	26
Bullock's Brains— " Know..... per set	10
" Tongue fresh—Ngau Li..... each	50
" " corned—Ham Ngau Li ..... "	58
" Head—Ngau Tau ..... "	80
" Heart—Ngau Sum.....per ℔	12
" Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin ..... "	18
" Feet—Ngau Keok .....each	7
" Kidneys—Ngau Yiu..... ..... "	10
Tail—Ngau Mei ..... "	17
" Liver—Ngau Con .....℔	12
" Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To..... "	7
Calves' Head and Feet—Ngau-chai-tau-keok.....set	$1.00
Mutton Chop—Yeung Pai Kwat .....℔	22
" Leg—Yeung Pei ..... "	22
" Shoulder—Yeung Shau ..... "	20
Pigs' Chitlings—Chi cheong ..... "	22
" Brains—Chi Know.....per set	2
" Feet—Chi Keok..... "	11
" Fry—Chi Chak ..... "	25
" Head—Chi Tau ..... "	15
" Heart—Chi Sum.....each	8
" Kidneys—Chi Yiu .....pair	7
" Liver—Chi Kon .....℔	24
Pork, Chop—Chi Pai Kwat ..... "	15
" " Corned—Ham Chu Yuk ..... "	—
" Leg—Chu Pei ..... "	23
" Fat or Lard—Chu Yau ..... "	17
Sheep's Head and Feet—Yeung Tau Keok .....set	50
" Heart—Yeung Sum.....each	6
" Kidneys—Yeung Yiu ..... "	10
" Liver—Yeung Con.....℔	22
Sucking Pigs, To Order—Chu Chai ... "	22
Suet Beef—Sang Ngan Yau ..... "	20
" Mutton—Sang Yeung Yau ..... "	24
Veal—Ngau Chai Yuk..... "	20
" Sausages—Ngau Chai Yuk Tong. "	20

POULTRY.

Chicken—Kai Chai .....℔	29
Capons, Large, Small—Sin Kai..... "	26
Ducks—Ap..... "	21
Doves—Pan Kau .....each	18
Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan.....per doz.	21
Fowls, Canton—Kai .....℔	30
" Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai ..... "	26
Geese—Ngo ..... "	22
Geese, Wild Shanghai—Sheung Hoi Ye Ngo .....pair	$2.00
Musk Deer—Wong Keng .....each	$3.50
Hare—Tu Chai:..... "	70
Partridge—Che Khoo ..... "	65
Pheasant—Shan Kai.....pair	$1.50
Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kup ..... each	25
" Hoihow—Hoihow Pak Kup "	12
Quail—Um-Chun ..... "	25
Rice Birds—Wo Fa Cheuk .....dozen	75
Snipe—Sa Chui ..... each	25
Turkeys, Cock—Fo Kai Kung ... per ℔	60
" Hen— " " Na ... "	45
Wild Ducks, Shanghai, Sui-ap .....pair	$1.20
Teal, Shanghai, Sui Ap Chai..... "	65
Wild Ducks Canton—Sang Shing Sui Ap .....per pair	20

FISH.

Barbel—Ka Yu .....℔	10
Bream—Bin Yu..... "	15
Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hoi Sin Yu "	15
Carp—Li Yu ..... "	20
Catfish—Chik Yu ..... "	12
Codfish—Mun Yu..... "	16
Crabs—Hai ..... "	18
Cuttle Fish—Muk Yu ..... "	14
Dab—Sa Mang Yu ..... "	14
Dace—Wong Mei Lun ..... "	12
Dog Fish—Tit Tu Sa ..... "	9
Eels, Conger—Hai Man Yu ..... "	14
" Fresh water—Tam Sui Yu ..... "	15
" Yellow—Wong Sin..... "	24
Frogs—Tien Kai ..... "	28
Garoupa—Sek Pan ..... "	48
Gudgeon—Pak Kup Yu ..... "	12
Herrings—Tso Pak ..... "	20
Halibut—Cheung Kwan Yu ..... "	24
Labrus—Wong Fa Yu..... "	18
Loach—Wu Yu..... "	28
Lobsters—Lung Ha ..... "	28
Mackerel—Chi Yu ..... "	16
Monk Fish—Mon Yu ..... "	24
Mullet—Chai Yu ..... "	22
Oysters—Sang Hoo ..... "	20
Parrotfish—Kai Kung Yu ..... "	16
Perch—Tau Loo ..... "	14
Pike—Fa Paw Poong ..... "	9
Plaice—Pan Yu..... "	18
Pomfret, Black—Hak Chong..... "	22
Pomfret, White—Pak Chong..... "	24
Prawns—Ming Ha..... "	48
Ray—Pai Pi Sa ..... "	9
Rock Fish—Sak Kau Kung..... "	14
Roach—Chau Yu ..... "	25
Salmon, (Fresh) from water—Ma Yau Yu ..... "	24

	Cents.
Shark—Sa Yu ..... "	9
Skate—Po Yu ..... "	10
Shrimps—Ha ..... "	22
Snapper—Lap Yu..... "	30
Soles—Tat Sa Yu..... "	18
Tench—Wan Yu ..... "	18
Turbot—Cho How Yu..... "	90
Turtles, small, fresh water—Kook Yu... "	60
White Bait—Ngau Yu Chai ..... "	—

FRUITS.

Almond—Hung Yan.....℔	24
Apples, (California)—Kam San Ping Ko..... "	24
" (Chefoo)—Tin Chun Ping Ko..... "	15
" Small—Hoi Tong..... "	—
" Custard—Fan Lai Chi.....each	—
Bananas, fragrant, Canton—Sang Sheung Heung Chiu .....℔	5
" (brides), Macao—San Heung Chiu "	6
Chestnuts, Chinese—Foong Lut..... "	15
Carambola—Yeung Tou..... "	8
Cocoanuts—Yeh Tsz .....each	10
Grapes—Sin Tai Tsz.....℔	30
Lemons, China—Ning Moong..... "	6
" Amer.—Kum San Ning Moong "	7
Lichees, Small Stone—Lai Chi Con..... "	16
" Fresh, Lai Chi ..... "	—
Limes, (Saigon)—Sai Kung Ning Moong.....each	6
Mango, Manila—Lui Sung Mong..... "	—
Mango, Saigon—Sai Kung Moong ..... "	—
Mangosteens, San Chuk Tsz per 100 ..... "	—
Oranges, Tim Chang .....℔	10
" Small—Tai Kut .....catty	—
" Mandarin—Tim Kut ..... "	—
Olives—Pak Lam .....℔	8
Passion Fruit ..... each	—
Pears, (American)—Kam San Shut Li ℔	11
" (Canton), Cooking—Sa Li ..... "	14
" (Shanghai)—Sheung Hoi Li ... "	18
Peanuts,—Fa Sang	10
Persimmons, Large,—Hung Chin.....	6
Pine-apples, 1st quality—Sheung Poon Ti Paw-law .....each	8
" 2nd cooking—Chung-tang Paw-law ..... "	6
Platains—Tai Chiu .....℔	—
Plums, Swatow—Hung Lai	5
Pumelo, Siam—Chim Lo Yau .....each	—
Walnuts, Hop Tou	10
" Green—Sang Hop Tou	12
Shanghai Lo Kwat .....℔	—
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VEGETABLES, &c.

Artichokes, Shanghai,—Sheung Hoi Ah Chi Chauk .....℔	7
Beans, (French) Macao—Oh Moon Pin Tau	15
Beans, (French), Shanghai—Sheung Hoi Pin Tau	12
Beans, Sprout—Ah Choi.....	4
Beans, Long—Tau Kok	—
Beet Root—Hung Choi Tau..... each	3
Brinjals, Green—Cheng Yuen Ker	4
Brinjals, Red—Hung Ker	4
Brassica—Pak Choi.....	4
Bamboo Shoots—Chook Shun	3
Cabbage, Chinese, com.—Kai Choy.....	3
Cabbage, Red—Kai Lan Tau .....each	—
Cabbage, (Shanghai)—Yeh Choi ..... "	7
Cane Shoots, bunch—Kan Shun ..... "	3
Cauliflower, Large size—Tai Yeh Choi Fa .....each	—
Cauliflower, Medium size—Cheung Yeh Choi-fa .....each	—
Cauliflower, Small size—Sai Yeh Choi-fa	—
Carrots—Kam Shun	7
Celery, Chinese—Tong Kan Choy	8
Celery, English—Yeung Kan Choi	5
Celery, White—Pak Yeung Kan Choi...	—
Chillies, Dried—Con Lat Chiu	15
" Red—Hung Fa "	15
" Green—Cheng Lat Chiu ..... "	15
Curry Stuff, English—Ka Leh Choi Lin	8
Cucumbers—Cheng Kwa	2
Bitter Squash—Fu Kwa	10
Garlic—Suen Tau.....	6
Ginger, young—Sun Tsz Keung	6
" old—Lo Keung	6
Horse Radish, Shanghai—Lik Kan ... ℔	20
Indian Corn—Suk Mai .....piece	—
Lettuce—Yeung Sang Choi .....each	1
Water Chesnuts—Ma Tai ..... "	6
" Mandarin—Kwei Lum Ma Tai "	6
Musk Melon	—
Mushrooms, Fresh—Sang Cho Kho.....	—
Onions, Bombay—Yeung Chung Tau ...	8
" Green—Sang Chung.....	3
" Shai—Sheung Hoi Chung Tau	6
" Japan—Yat Poon " "	—
Okroes—Mo Ker	8
Parsley, English—Yeung Un Sai .....℔	40
Gradus Pea	—
Green Peas—Cheng Tau.....	—
Potatoes, Sweet—Fan Shu	3
" Shanghai—Sheung Hoi Shu Tsai	4
" Japan—Yat Poon Shu Tsai ...	—
" American—Fa Ki " " ...	8
" Foochow—Fuk Chau Shu Tsai	8
" Macao—Oh Moon " "	—
Pumpkin—Toong Kwa	3
Radish—Hung Lo Pak Tsai .....℔	4
Rhubarb	—
Shalots—Con Chung Tau	8
Spinage (Chinese)—Paw Choi	4
Spinach—Yin Choi	5
Tomatoes—Fan Ker.....	6
Taros—Wu Tau	3
Turnips, Pun-ti (Long)—Low Pak	2
" English—Yeung Low Pak..piece	—
Vegetable Marrow—Chit Kwa	6
Water Cresses—Sai Yeung Choi	8
" Oiltrope—Lin Kok .....℔	—
" Lilly Roots—Lin Ngau	5
Yams—Tai Shu.....	4
Sago ..... per pecul	—

The prices necessarily vary from day to day and the Sanitary Board has no power to control stallholders to sell at the prices quoted.

A. CHIRON,
Secretary to Sanitary Board.

CHEAP PASSAGE RATES TO AMERICA.

Cheap trips across the Pacific, $20 a head, or about Y40, are now being offered. Seattle papers state that a rate fight to secure the Chinese passenger business from the United States to the Orient has been started by Frank Waterhouse & Co. on their ships to the Far East by cutting the fare more than half and offering special inducements to all Chinese travellers on their boats. The regular fare to China from Puget Sound is $43.50 on all the liners except those of the Great Northern and the Canadian Pacific. The *Minnesota* is the only vessel sailing from Seattle that charges the maximum amount of $51, the same as the Canadian vessels. With the sailing of the *Kumeric* of the Waterhouse line last month the special fare of $25 for steerage passengers went into effect. At this time of year many Orientals are returning to their native country for the Chinese New Year and other fete days. The outward bound ships from Puget Sound have been doing a large steerage business to the Orient for several weeks. The special rate of $25 on the *Kumeric* included a rebate of $5 at the end of the trip, making the rate in reality $20, and this resulted in many passengers at Vancouver, although few took advantage of the rate in Seattle. The first response to the cut rate is from the Canadian Pacific, which has made a special fare of $43.50 on the *Monteagle*, which sailed from Vancouver for the Orient on November 7th. [The *Monteagle* arrived in Hongkong to-day, 2nd Dec.]. The Blue Funnel and Japanese liners are also expected to make cuts in their rates as the result of the action of the Waterhouse company.

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE.

German (*Buelow*) 3rd inst.
Indian (*Gregory Apcar*) 4th inst.
American (*Manchuria*) 7th inst.
French (*Ernest Simons*) 7th inst.
German (*Prinz Waldemar*) 9th inst.
Canadian (*Empress of India*) 10th inst.

The T. K. K. s.s. *Tenyo Maru*, arrived in San Francisco on 30th ult.

The s.s. *Denbighshire* left Shanghai on 1st inst., and is due here on 4th inst., p.m.

The Imperial German Mail s.s. *Princess Alice*, which left here on 4th inst., arrived at Genoa yesterday, at 7 a.m.

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, Director of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 2nd at 11.55 a.—The depression lying off Hokkaido yesterday, is moving away over the Pacific and pressure has increased moderately over Japan.

The barometer has fallen again in N. China, probably owing to the advance of another depression from the Westward.

Pressure is highest over the Yangtze Valley. It remains low over the S. Philippines.

Strong monsoon may be expected in the Formosa Channel, and N. and N.E. gales over the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.61 inches.

FORECAST.

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood, N. to N.E. winds, fresh; rainy at first, improving later.

2.—Formosa Channel, N.E. winds, strong.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks, same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan, same as No. 2.

Shipping.

Arrivals.

Huichow.—Br. s.s., 1,217, E. Forsyth, 2nd Dec.,—Chinwangtao 26th Nov., Gen.—B. & S.

Daijin Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,580 I. Sakurai, 2nd Dec.,—Swatow 1st Dec., Gen.—O. S. K.

Haiyang, Br. s.s., 1,362, A. E. Hodgins, 2nd Dec.,—Foochow, via Amoy 1st Dec., Gen. and Tea.—D., L. & Co.

Hangsang, Br. s.s., 1,356, S. Wilde, 2nd Dec., —Shanghai 28th Nov., and Swatow 1st Dec., Gen.—J., M. & Co.

Monteagle, Br. s.s., 3,953, W. Davison, 2nd Dec.,—Vancouver 7th Nov., and Shanghai 29th, Mails and Gen.—C. P. R. Co.

Wray Castle, Br. s.s., 2,717, F. McDowell, 2nd Dec.,—Foochow 30th Nov., Gen.—D. & Co., Ld.

Clearances at the Harbour Office.

Kumsang, for Singapore.
Huichow, for Canton.
Manilra, for Manila.
Snorri Sturluson, for Nagasaki.
Hangsang, for Canton.
Hupeh, for Haiphong.
Butsun Maru, for Swatow.
Helene, for Hoihow.
Haimun, for Swatow.
Tean, for Manila.
Butuan, for Kwong-chow-wan.
Tatwan, for Dalny.
Wray Castle, for Singapore.
Kiuktang, for Swatow.

Departures.

Dec. 2.

Prinz Ludwig, for Europe.
Fau an, for Hongay.
Sungkiang, for Amoy.
Kwangtak, for Canton.
Chenan, for Canton.
Amara, for Canton.
Kumsang, for Calcutta.
Tean, for Manila.
Hupeh, for Pakhoi.
Kiuktang, for Shanghai.
Haimun, for Swatow.
Huichow, for Canton.

Passengers arrived.

Per *Hutchow*, from Chingwantao—Messrs. Rogers and Dobie.

Per *Haiyang*, from Coast Ports.—Mr. and Mrs. Ricketts, Messrs. Dreyfuss, Leyto, Sheridan, and 84 Chinese.

Per *Monteagle*, from Vancouver—Mr. and Mrs. H. Hopkirk, Mr. P. Hosier, Mr. and Mrs. J. Cunningham, Dr. and Mrs. J. K. Robb and 4 children, Miss J. Dean, Messrs. E. G. Schwab, P. A. Schwab, Miss O. Z. Turner, Mr. J. D. Byrne, 59 Chinese, and 4 Hindoos. From Victoria, B.C.—Mr. Chew Chak, and 12 Chinese. From Yokohama—Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Maidenaid. From Kobe—Mrs. T. S. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Baer, Mr. H. Briggs, Mr. and Mrs. R. Holderness, and Mrs. James MacKay. From Nagasaki—1 Chinese. From Shanghai—Misses G. K. Harris, Vida Reynell, Mr. D. Turnbull, Hon. H. Bridgeman, Mons. Jules Ratzkowski, and 1 Chinese.

Shipping Reports.

Str. *Haiyang*, from Coast Ports:—Strong N.E. monsoon corresponding sea and daily rainy weather.

Str. *Hutchow*, from Chinwangtao:—Fresh monsoon and rough sea, on 1st Dec., when off Breaker Point picked up 6 fishermen off the wreckage of a fishing junk.

VESSELS IN PORT.

STEAMERS.

Ban Tek, Am. s.s., 329, Francisco Fabregas, 5th Nov.,—Manila 2nd Nov., Sugar.—Order.

Bourbon, Fr. s.s., 990, Le Bail, 25th Nov.,—Saigon 19th Nov., Gen.—Man Fat.

Bujun Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,018, F. Fuseno, 1st Dec.,—Swatow 30th Nov., Gen.—O. S. K.

China, Am. s.s., 3,186, D. E. Friele, 1st Dec., —San Francisco 31d Nov., Honolulu 10th, Yokohama 23rd, Kobe 24th, Nagasaki 26th, and Shanghai 28th, Mails and Gen. —P. M. S. S. Co.

Chowtai, Ger. s.s., 1,115, W. Möllerman, 1st Dec.,—Bangkok and Swatow 30th Nov., Gen.—M. & Co.

Dagny, Nor. s.s., 1,483, O. Abrahamsen, 29th Nov.,—Canton 28th Nov., Ballast.—Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.

Devawongse, Ger. s.s., 1,057, F. Rehwaldt, 4th Nov.,—Bangkok 28th Oct., Rice, Rice and Meal.—B. & S.

Fri, Nor. s.s., 860, C. Wagle, 17th Nov.,—Manila 13th Nov., Ballast.—Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.

Fukura Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,046, S. Kumawaki, 29th Nov.,—Moji 24th Nov., Coal.—M. B. K.

Halvard, Nor. s.s., 1,701, R. Rönneberg, 30th Nov.,—Taku Bar 5th Nov., Ballast.—Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.

Helene, Ger. s.s., 771, J. Jessen, 1st Dec.,—Swatow 30th Nov., Gen.—J. & Co.

Hinsang, Br. s.s., 1,536, A. Smith, 28th Nov., —Samarang 16th Nov., Sugar.—J., M. & Co.

Japan, Br. s.s., 3,806, J. G. Olifent, 1st Dec., —Moji 27th Nov., Gen.—D. S. & Co., Ld.

Kagu Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,906, G. S. Lapraik, 29th Nov.,—Shanghai 2 th Nov., Gen.—N. Y. K.

Lennox, Br. s.s., 2,361, F. McNair, 16th Nov., —Shanghai 13th Nov., Gen.—C. P. R. Co.

Loongsang, Br. s.s., 1,091, S. J. Payne, 30th Nov.,—Manila 27th Nov., Gen.—J., M. & Co.

Loyal, Ger. s.s., 1,237, F. Natzins, 25th Nov., —Samarang 11th Nov., Gen.—S., W. & Co.

Manila, Ger. s.s., 1,108, J. Minssen, 13th Nov., Melbourne 12th Oct., and Manila 10th Nov., Gen.—M. & Co.

Maysang, Br. s.s., 1,644, G. S. Weigall, 21st Nov.,—Sandakan 15th Nov., Timber and Gen.—J., M. & Co.

Moyori Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,736, J. C. Richiyard, 1st Dec.,—Moji 25th Nov., Matches and Gen.—N. Y. K.

Onsang, Br. s.s., 1,787, Houghton, 30th Nov., —Canton 29th Nov., Gen.—J., M. & Co.

Shinchiku Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,120, H. Yamamoto, 29th Nov.,—Moji 23rd Nov., Coal.—O. S. K.

Siberia, Am. s.s., 5,655, A. Dixon, 23rd Nov., —San Francisco 27th Oct., and Manila 21st Nov., Mails and Gen.—P. M. S. S. Co.

Snorri Sturluson, Dan. s.s., 28, E. Ebenezerson, 1st Dec.,—Tourane 26th Nov., Ballast.—Order.

Swanley, Br. s.s., 2,988, W. E. Steele, 15th Nov.,—Ching-wan-tao 9th Nov., Coal.—S., T. & Co.

Taiwan, Br. s.s., 1,042, J. A. Martin, 27th Nov., —Manila 24th Nov., Ballast.—Chinese.

Takasaki Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,000, A. Mocker, 28th Nov.,—from Bombay and Singapore, Gen.—N. Y. K.

Taming, Br. s.s., 1,350, A. Somerville, 24th Nov.,—Cebu 19th Nov., Gen.—B. & S.

Titan, Br. s.s., 5,720, R. Day, 29th Nov.,—Manila 26th Nov., Gen.—B. & S.

Usher, Br. s.s., 2,350, Perry, 27th Oct.,—Manila 23rd Oct., Ballast.—Master.

Zafiro, Br. s.s., 1,619, R. Rodger, 1st Dec.,—Manila 28th Nov., Hemp and Gen.—S., T. & Co.

SAILING VESSELS.

Daylight, Br. ship, 3,060, McBryde, 9th Oct.,—Yokohama 19th Sept., Ballast.—S. O. Co.

Lyndhurst, Br. bark, Parnell, 14th Sept.,—Bangkok 25th Aug., Case Oil.—S. O. Co.

Steamers Expected.

Vessels	From	Agents	Due
Kamo Maru	Singapore	N. Y. K.	Dec. 3
Buelow	Singapore	M. & Co.	Dec. 3
Nile	Singapore	P. & O. Co.	Dec. 3
Tjibodas	Moji	J. C. J. L.	Dec. 3
Gregory Apcar	Singapore	D. S. & Co	Dec. 4
Denbighshire	Shanghai	S., T. & Co	Dec. 4
Istria	Singapore	C. A. L.	Dec. 5
Siam	Singapore	M. & Co.	Dec. 6
Manchuria	Japan	P. M. Co.	Dec. 7
Ernest Simons	Singapore	M. M.	Dec. 7
Hakata Maru	Moji	N. Y. K.	Dec. 7
Totomi Maru	Singapore	N. Y. K.	Dec. 8
Ischia	Singapore	C. & Co.	Dec. 8
P. Waldemar	Sydney	M. & Co.	Dec. 9
Emp. of India	Vancouver	C. P. R. Co	Dec. 10
Yetorofu Maru	Bombay	N. Y. K.	Dec. 21

Ships Passed The Canal.

20th October—*Melnam, Glenroy, Scandia, Rickmers, Helene, Ching Wo.* 23rd October—*Sicilia, Calchas, Idomeneus, Glensarn, Bisley.* 27th October—*Australian, Benmohr, Ceylon, Maru, Ernest Simons, Jason, Siam.* 30th October—*Lutzow, Dardanus, Dumbea, Indramayo, Biago Maru, Colombo Maru, Tamba Maru.* 3rd November—*Ambria, Aragonia, Claverdon, Prometheus, Cathay, Istria, Persia, Vandalia, Corse.* 6th November—*Kamo Maru, Nore, Tsenkai, Ville de la Ciotat, Nile.* 10th November—*Banledi, Bulow, Glenavon, Soyo Maru.* 13th November—*Ernest Simons, Menelaus, Telemachus, Inaba Maru, Kawachi Maru, Lituania.* 17th November—*Brasilia, Oanfa, Zieten, Theseus.* 20th November—*Achilles, Caledonien, Carnarvonshire.* 24th November—*Derfflinger, Benvorlich, Sumatra, Sunda, Shimosa.* 27th November—*Suruga, Hitachi Maru, Alcinous, Priam, Ping Suey, Sanuki Maru, Silesia,* (Ger.) *Yunnan, Bovisio, Scandia, Jumna.*

Arrivals at Home—20th October—*Priam, Buyo Maru, Ajax.* 21st October—*Nyanza.* 27th October—*Slavonia, Awa Maru.* 28th October—*Malta.* 30th October—*Schuylkill, Ernest Simons, Keemun, Prinz Eitel Friedrich.* 3rd November—*Glenroy, Idomeneus, Jason.* 6th November—*Lutzow, Tamba Maru.* 10th November—*Flintshire, Cathay.* 13th November—*Colombo Maru.* 16th November—*Banca.* 17th November—*Maihona, Prometheus.* 19th November—*Nore.* 20th November—*Ambria, Inaba Maru.* 27th November—*Caledonien, Vandalia, Indramayo.*

DOCK NOTICES.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCKS.

Usher ..... at Kowloon Dock
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Gilbert ..... " "

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

December 1st, 1908, a.m.

			Bar.	Th.	Hu.	Wind		Wr.
Vladivostock	7	a.m.	29.91	16	54	NW	2	b
Nemuro	6	a.m.	29.41	—	—	W	10	—
Hakodate		"	29.69	—	—	NW	10	—
Tokio		"	29.83	—	—	—	0	—
Kochi		"	30.03	—	—	SW	2	—
Nagasaki		"	30.19	—	—	NW	4	—
Kagoshima		"	30.15	—	—	N	4	—
Oshima		"	3.2.2	—	—	N	4	—
Naha		"	30.17	—	—	NE	2	—
Ishigakijima		"	30.13	—	—	E	6	—
Bonin Is.		"	30.04	—	—	NW	2	—
Chefoo	6	a.m	30.38	34	90	SW	2	b
Weihaiwei	9	a.m.	30.37	37	—	WNW	4	o
Hankow	6	a.m.	30.47	46	69	NE	2	b
Kiukiang		"	30.41	49	71	NE	3	b
Shanghai	9	a.m.	30.46	49	71	NNW	1	c
Gutzlaff		"	30.38	51	66	N	3	cv
Sharp Peak		"	30.29	62	89	N	4	o
Amoy	6	a.m.	30.14	66	73	NE	2	o
Swatow		"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Taihoku	5	a.m.	30.17	—	—	E	6	—
Taichu		"	30.05	—	—	N	2	—
Tainan		"	30.03	—	—	N	4	—
Koshun		"	30.07	—	—	NE	6	—
Pescadores		"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Canton	9	a.m.	30.21	59	94	N	2	or
Hongkong	10	a.m.	30.15	68	57	N	1	o
Victoria Peak		"	—	—	—	NW	4	—
Gap Rock		"	30.10	—	—	NE	5	—
Macao		"	30.17	66	—	N	4	o
Wuchow	9	a.m.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hoihow		"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pakhoi		"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Phullen	8	a.m.	30.16	68	—	NNE	3	o
Tourane		"	30.00	72	—	NW	1	o
C. St. James		"	29.85	77	—	N	3	c
Aparri	6	a.m.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manila	10	a.m.	29.88	75	100	NNE	1	r
Legaspi	6	a.m.	29.81	79	—	NE	1	o
Bacolod	9	a.m.	—	—	—	NE	1	op
Iloilo		"	29 83	81	—	NE	1	c
Cebu		"	29 83	80	—	—	0	or
Labuan		"	29.85	76	—	—	—	—

December 2nd, 1908, a.m.

Vladivostock	7	a.m.						
Nemuro	6	a.m.	29 57	—	—	NW	8	—
Hakodate		"	29 81	—	—	NW	8	—
Tokio		"	29.99	—	—	W	2	—
Kochi		"	30.19	—	—	SW	2	—
Nagasaki		"	30.23	—	—	—	0	—
Kagoshima		"	30.23	—	—	N	2	—
Oshima		"	30.16	—	—	N	6	—
Naha		"	30.17	—	—	NE	2	—
Ishigakijima		"	30.09	—	—	NE	6	—
Bonin Is.		"	30.01	—	—	W	4	—
Chefoo	6	a.m	30.15	36	54	WSW	1	b
Weihaiwei	9	a.m.	30.15	43	—	NW	2	b
Hankow	6	a.m.	30 37	45	84	NE	1	b
Kiukiang		"	30 38	40	91	NE	1	b
Shanghai	9	a.m.	30.35	47	55	—	0	b
Gutzlaff		"	30 30	53	61	NW	1	bv
Sharp Peak		"	30.28	58	88	N	2	o
Amoy	6	a.m	30.16	64	78	NE	2	or
Swatow		"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Taihoku	5	a.m	30.18	—	—	E	6	—
Taichu		"	30.07	—	—	NE	6	—
Tainan		"	30 05	—	—	N	4	—
Koshun		"	30.01	—	—	E	10	—
Pescadores		"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Canton	9	a.m.	30.26	55	94	N	2	or
Hongkong	10	a.m.	30.21	60	88	NNE	1	od
Victoria Peak		"	—	—	—	NW	4	—
Gap Rock		"	30.16	—	—	NNE	5	—
Macao		"	30.21	59	—	NNE	3	od
Wuchow	9	a.m.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hoihow		"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pakhoi		"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Phullen	8	a.m	30.23	61	—	NE	3	o
Tourane		"	30 03	70	—	NW	2	o
C. St. James		"	29.88	75	—	NW	3	o
Aparri	6	a.m.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manila	10	a.m.	29 88	81	70	ENE	1	o
Legaspi	6	a.m.	29.82	79	—	E	1	c
Bacolod	9	a.m	—	—	—	NE	3	op
Iloilo		"	29.81	86	—	N	2	c
Cebu		"	29.83	80	—	—	0	o
Labuan		"	29.80	82	—	—	—	—

	Dec. 1 at 10 a.m.	Dec. 1 at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.15	30.10
Temperature	68	60
Humidity	57	89
Rainfall	0.02	—

Post Office.

☞ In accordance with an instruction received from the American Postal Authorities for the present the weight limit on parcels to America by the direct route has been altered from 11 lbs. to its old limit 4 lbs. 6 ozs.

☞ Approximate times of closing mails at Shanghai via Dalny and Siberia:—

17th December, at 11.00 A.M.
17th December, at 8.30 A.M.
25th December, at 10.00 A.M.

A Mail will close for:—

Hankow—Per *Ithaka*, 3rd Dec., 9 A.M.
Sandakan—Per *Maysang*, 3rd Dec., 11 A.M.
Singapore, Colombo and Bombay—Per *Moyori Maru*, 3rd Dec., 11 A.M.
Macao—Per *Sui Tai*, 3rd Dec., 1.15 P.M.
Manila, Yap, Fr. Wilhelmshafen, Simpsonhafen, Herbertshohe, Matupi, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne—Per *Manila*, 3rd Dec., 4 P.M.
Singapore—Per *Wray Castle*, 3rd Dec., 4 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per *Haiyang*, 4th Dec., 10 A.M.
Singapore and Samarang—Per *Onsang*, 4th Dec., 11 A.M.
Macao—Per *Sui Tai*, 4th Dec., 1.15 P.M.
Manila—Per *Loongsang*, 4th Dec., 3 P.M.
Manila—Per *Zafiro*, 5th Dec., 10 A.M.
Shanghai—Per *Hangsang*, 5th Dec., 10 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta, (Will take letters to Europe marked via Siberia)—Per *Japan*, 5th Dec., 10 A.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco—Per *Siberia*, 5th Dec., 11 A.M.
Macao—Per *Sui Tai*, 5th Dec., 1.15 P.M.
Ningpo and Shanghai—Per *Chenan*, 5th Dec., 3 P.M.
Tamsui and Tsingtau—Per *Landrat Scheiff*, 5th Dec., 4 P.M.
Takao—Per *Shichiku Maru*, 5th Dec., 5 P.M.
Cebu and Iloilo—Per *Hutchow*, 7th Dec., 3 P.M.
Europe, &c., India, *via* Tuticorin—Per *Armand Behic*, 8th Dec., 11 A.M.
Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe and Moji—Per *Gregory Apcar*, 8th Dec., 11 A.M.
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokkaichi, Yokohama, Victoria and Seattle—Per *Kaga Maru*, 8th Dec., 3 P.M.
Saigon, Samarang, Sourabaya and Batavia—Per *Tjibodas*, 8th Dec., 4 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Colombo—Per *Habata Maru*, 8th Dec., 5 P.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco, (Will take letters to Europe marked via Siberia)—Per *Montagle*, 9th Dec., 11 A.M.
Shanghai—Per *Tjipanas*, 9th Dec., 5 P.M.
Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth—Per *Aldenham*, 10th Dec., 11 A.M.
Manila—Per *Yuensang*, 11th Dec., 3 P.M.
Manila—Per *Rubi*, 12th Dec., 10 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Bombay—Per *Ischia*, 12th Dec., 10 A.M.
Europe, &c., India, *via* Tuticorin—Per *Devanha*, 12th Dec., 11 A.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco, (Will take letters to Europe marked via Siberia)—Per *China*, 12th Dec., 10 A.M.
Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe and Moji—Per *Kutsang*, 16th Dec., 11 A.M.
Manila, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth—Per *Taiyuan*, 18th Dec., 3 P.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, (B.C.) (Will take letters to Europe marked via Siberia)—Per *Empress of India*, 18th Dec., 6 P.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco, (Will take letters to Europe marked via Siberia)—Per *Manchuria*, 19th Dec., 11 A.M.

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Name.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	I.H.P.	Captain.	Last reported at
Alacrity	despatch-vessel	700	4	3,000	Commander C. T. K. Fuller	Hongkong
Asmea	cruiser, 2nd class	4,360	10	7,000	Captain F. K. C. Ryan	Hongkong
Bedford	cruiser, 1st class	9,800	14	22,000	Captain S. E. Erskine	Hongkong
Bramble	river gunboat	710	6	900	Lt.-Comdr. Hon. R. O. B. Bridgeman	Shanghai
Britomart	river gunboat	710	6	900	Lieut.-Commander F. B. Noble	Shanghai
Cadmus	sloop	1,070	6	1,400	Commander H. L. P. Heard	Shanghai
Cherub	water tank and tug	390	—	300	Master S. West	Hongkong
Clio	sloop	1,070	6	1,400	Commander C. T. Borrett	Hongkong
Fame	torpedo boat destroyer	306	6	5,700	Lieut.-Commander A. L. Gresson	Hongkong
Flora	cruiser, 2nd class	4,360	10	7,000	Captain Rowland Nugent	Shanghai
Handy	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4,000	Lieut.-Commander B. J. D. Guy, V.C.	Hongkong
Hart	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4,000	Lieut.-Commander Dickens	Mirs Bay
Ianus	torpedo boat destroyer	280	6	5,900	Lieut.-Commander C. A. Fremantle	Mirs Bay
Kent	cruiser, 1st class	9,800	14	22,000	Captain G. C. A. Marescaux	Mirs Bay
King Alfred	cruiser, 1st class	14,100	18	30,000	Captain Clinton Baker	Hongkong
Kinsha	river gunboat	616	4	1,200	Lieut.-Commander T. J. S. Lyne	Yangtse
Merlin	surveying ship	1,070	6	1,400	Commander F. H. Walter	Jesselton
Monmouth	cruiser, 1st class	9,800	14	22,000	Captain G. W. Smith	Hongkong
Moorhen	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lieut.-Commander C. C. Walcott	West River
Nightingale	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut.-Commander R. S. Roy	Yangtse
Otter	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	6,300		Hongkong
Robin	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut.-Commander J. White	West River
Sandpiper	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut.-Commander H. R. Tickell	West River
Snipe	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut.-Commander Alan Dixon

SHARE QUOTATIONS.

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STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT: RESERVE	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT: AT WORKING ACCOUNT.	LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE RETURN AT PRESENT QUOTATION, BASED ON LAST YEAR'S DIV.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.								
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	120,000	$125	$125	£1,500,000 $14,000,000 $250,000	$2,005,774	Interim of £2 for first half year @ 2s 1/9½=$21.942	5¼ %	$845 buyers London £82
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	£7	£6	£4,009 $150,000	$10,223	$2 (London 3/6) for 1903	...	$50
MARINE INSURANCES.								
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	$250	$50	$1,500,000 $332,757 $421,990	none	$14 for 1907	7¼ %	$195 sales
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	£15	£5	£125,000 Tls. 150,000 Tls. 303,747 Tls. 118,277	Tls. 160,522	Final of 7/6 making 15/- for 1907	6 %	Tls. 100
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	12,400	$250	$100	$2,000,000 £90,000 $302,478 £129,695 $727,649	$2,506,021	Final of $15 making $45 for 1906 and interim of $30 for 1907	5¼ %	1805 buyers
Yangtsze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	$100	$60	$1,000,000 $199,032 $85,157	$591,763	$12 and bonus $3 for 1906	9 %	$167½
FIRE INSURANCES.								
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	$100	$20	$1,000,000 $346,097	$372,432	$6 and bonus $2 for 1906	8 %	$102 buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	$250	$50	$13,802 $1,323,941	$428,027	$27 for 1906	8 %	$230 sellers
SHIPPING.								
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	30,000	$25	$25	$7,000	51,035	$1 for 1906	...	$74
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	20,000	$50	$50	$264,638 $99,067	Nil.	$2½ for year ending 30.6.1908	7½ %	$33 buyers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ld.	80,000	$15	$15	$250,000 $587,500 $81,766 $17,655	$17,755	$1½ for first half-year ending 30.6.08	8½ %	$29 buyers
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ld. (Preferred)	60,000			£10,000				
Do. do. (Deferred)	60,000	£5	£5	£240,000	£13,755	6/- for 1907 on Preference shares only @ ex 1/9 11/16=$3.154	5¼ %	$37 $17
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	200,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 75,000	Tls. 14,520	Interim of Tls. 1½ for account 1908	7½ %	Tls. 45 buyers
Do. (Preference)	100,000						7 %	Tls. 51 sellers
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	2,000,000	£1	£1	£720,000 £100,000	£63,817	Final of 1/- making 3/- for 1907 and interim of 2/- (No. 10) for a/c 1908	6 %	47/6 buyers
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	$10	$10	$1,500,000	$98	$1.00 $0.50 for year ending 30.4.1908	4 % 2½ %	$24 $15
	10,000	$10	$5	$47,221				
Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 140,001 Tls. 609,355 Tls. 100,000 Tls. 116,000 Tls. 17,142	Tls. 6,869	Final of Tls. 2½ making Tls. 5 for 1907	11 %	Tls. 45 sellers
REFINERIES.								
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	$100	$100	$32,538 $450,000	Dr. $279,171	$8 for year ending 31.12.06	...	$112½
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	$100	$100	$56,848	Dr. $135 132	$3 for 1897	...	$20 sellers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none Tls. 100,000	Tls. 9,173	Tls. 4 (8 %) for year ending 31.8.06	...	Tls. 87½ sellers
MINING.								
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ld.	1,000,000	£1	£1					
Rand Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	150,000	£1	18/10	£175,000	£11,556	Final of 1/6 (coupon No. 11) for year ending 29.2.08	2½ %	Tls. 15½ buyers
	50,000	£1	£1	£12,289 £4,878	Dr. £2,191	No. 12 of 1/-=48 cents	...	$7½
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.								
Fenwick (Geo.) & Co., Limited	18,000	$25	$25	$53,601	$3,726	$1.75 for year ending 31.12.06	...	$48
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ld.	60,000	550	$50	$50,000 $26,806	$3,556	Final of $1½ making $3½ for 1907	7½ %	$45
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ld.	50,000	$50	$50	$40,000				
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ld.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	$76,191 $200,000 Tls. 1,000,000	$384,847 Tls. 33,742	Interim of $4 for account 1908 Final of Tls. 2½ making in all Tls. 5 for year ending 30.4.08	8½ % 6½ %	$91 sellers Tls. 76 buyers
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company, Limited	36,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 697,257 Tls. 75,000 Tls. 125,000	Tls. 22,626	Interim of Tls. 4 for account 1908	5½ %	Tls. 140 buyers
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.								
Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ld.	25,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100		Tls. 6,531	Tls. 6 for 1907	6 %	Tls. 100
Astor House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai)	30,000	$25	$25	Tls. 25,000	Dr. $4,200	$2½ for year ending 30.6.07	...	$16
Central Stores, Limited	50,125	$15	$15	$30,000	$9,178	$1.80 for 1906	...	$12 buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	$50	$50	$1,000				
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ld.	50,000	$100	$100	$648,975 $22,000	$14,639	Interim of $3 for account 1908	7½ %	$80 buyers
Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited	150,000	$10	$10	$250,000	$36,915	Interim of $3½ for account 1908	7½ %	$93-sellers
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	$50	$30	$217,428 $50,000	$4,621	7c cents for 1907	7½ %	$91 buyers
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	$658	$1½ for 1907	6½ %	$30 buyers
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	$50	$50	Tls. 1,523,045 Tls. 170,000	Tls. 107,547	Interim of Tls. 3 for account 1908	7 %	Tls. 116½ buyers
				none	$1,541	Interim of $2 for account 1908	9 %	$46
COTTON MILLS.								
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ld.	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50					
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	125,000	$10	$10	Tls. 150,000 Tls. 45,939 $20,000	Tls. 8,807 $9,553	Tls. 2½ for year ended 31.10.1907 50 cents for year ending 31.7.08	3½ % 4½ %	Tls. 67 sales $10 sellers
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ld.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75					
Laou-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ld.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 150,000	Tls. 85,519	Tls. 6 for year ended 30.9.06 (8 %)	...	Tls. 55
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	none	Tls. 6,308	Tls. 8 for 1906	...	Tls. 72½ sellers
				Tls. 28,257	Tls. 50,063	Tls. 50 for 1906	...	Tls. 240 buyers
MISCELLANEOUS.								
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6					
China-Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	$12	$12		£648	1,10½ per share for 1907=$1.037	12 %	$8 buyers
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	$10	$10	£1,500	Nil.	$1.20 for 1907	11 %	$11 sellers
Do. Do. special shares	* 50,000	$1	$1	$25,000				
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ld.	125,000	$10	$10	none	61,138	60 cents for year ended 28.2.06	...	$5½
					33,593	80 cents for 1907	8½ %	$9.60 buyers
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	25,000	$7½	$6	$120,000				
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	400,000	$10	$10	$102,000 $8,000	$48	$1.30 for year ending 31.7.08	5½ %	$22½
H. Price & Company, Limited	12,000	$10	$10		$5,078	Interim of 40 cents for account 1908	10 %	$10 sellers
Hall & Holtz, Limited	21,000	$20	$20	$12,000 $5,000	$251	75 cents for 9 months ending 31.12.07	8 %	$12 buyers
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	60,000	$10	$10	$186,000	18,957	$2 for year ending 28.2.08	10 %	$20½ buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	$25	$25		$9,321	$1 and bonus 20 cts. for year ending 29.2.08	6½ %	$18 buyers
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ld.	60,000	$10	$10	none	$4,578	Interim of $4 for account 1908	8½ %	$230 sellers
Maatschappij tot Mijn-, Bosch- en Landbouwexploitatie in Langkat, Limited	25,000	Gs. 100	Gs. 100	$120,000 none	$8,191	Interim of $1 for account 1908	8 %	$24
Peak Tramways Company, Limited	25,000	$10	$10	Tls. 547,500	Tls. 17,127	Interim of Tls. 10 for 3rd quarter	5½ %	Tls. 900 sales
Peak Tramways Company (new)	50,000	$10	$1	Tls. 27,603		80 cents on fully paid shares and 6 cents on $1 paid shares for year ending 30.4.08	6 % 4 %	$14 $2
Philippine Company, Limited	75,000	$10	$10	$5,080	$7,471			
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited	84,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	none	Nil.	None	...	$8
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 20	Tls. 20	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 6,603	Final of Tls. 4 making Tls. 7½ for 1907	6½ %	Tls. 1:6½
Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited	16,850	£20	£20	Tls. 24,820 Tls. 75,000	Tls. 8,493	Final of Tls. 9 making in all Tls. 14 for 1907	11 %	Tls. 129½ sellers
South China Morning Post, Limited	6,000	$25	$25	Tls. 190,000	Tls. 58,132	Final of 37/6 making 52/6 for 1907	...	Tls. 410
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	$ 5	$ 5	none	Dr. $90,237	None	8 %	$25 buyers
Tientsin Waterworks Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	none	$236	40 cents for year ending 31.5.08	...	$5
Union Waterboat Company, Limited	50,000	$10	$10	Tls. 15,295 Tls. 4,000	Tls. 201. $111	Tls. 6½ for year ending 30.4.07 50 cents for 1907	5 %	Tls. 94 buyers $10
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	10,000	$10	$4	none				
Watson, (A. S.) & Co., Limited	90,000	$10	$10	$35,000	$1,360	80 cents on 9,000 ord. shares and $19.80 on 100 Founders shares for yr. end. 31.5.07	6½ %	$13 buyers
William Powell, Limited	15,000	$7	$7	$300,000 $25,000	$6,438	Interim of 30 cents a/c 1908	6½ %	$9 buyers ex div.
				none	$3.95	Final of 30 cts. making 80 cts. for the year ended 30th June, 1906	...	$4

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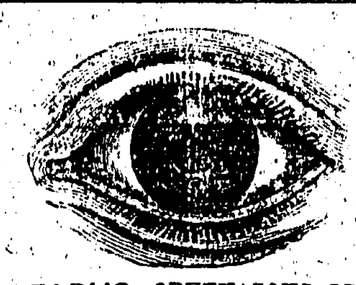

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